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Conversion... How Britain is working behind the scenes to bring peace to the Gulf and rehabilitate Khomeini's Iran.

On the road...
Paul Routledge looks at the candidates hoping to succeed Lawrence Daly as general secretary of the miner's union. To Damascus

President Assad of Syria talks about Lebanon, the US, the French, the Israelis - and his health.



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Paul Jennings argues that reading informative car stickers could stop drivers seeing red.

Spectrum reports on moves towards posthumous public recognition for an artist who for 15 years refused to exhibit his work.

Rear seat belt law demanded

Safety experts are pressing for the wearing of seat belts to be made compulsory for rear seat passengers in cars, after a dramatic fall in road casualties since the front seat belt law was introduced last January Page 3

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New offensive

El Salvador guerrillas have launched a new offensive with the destruction of the country's most important bridge. The rehels have won a string of victories over government troops in the past week Page 4

Boost for Benn

Mr Wedgwood Benn appears to Whitehead, another former MP, for selection on January 15 as the Labour candidate in the Chesterfield

Working talks

The TUC. faced with high unemployment and declining membership, has called a conference to study demands for shorter working hours

Dearer beer

The price of canned beer in supermarkets is expected to rise shortly and some brewers are thought likely to put up the cost of draught beer

Piano triumph

The British pianist Peter Donohoe, aged 30, received 11 encores after a recital in Moscow which concluded a triumphant Soviet tour Page 5

England win

Mike Gatting scored 142 as an England XI opened their cricket tour with a 198-run victory over a Fijian President's XI in a one day match in Lautoka Page 19

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Leave us in peace, the Queen tells Fleet Street

The Oueen vesterday asked photographers and reporters who have been "harassing" the Royal Family during their annual new year holiday at

The latest clash between the popular newspapers' eagerness for royal stories and the Queen's anxiety over her family's lack of privacy has been caused by a series of pictures taken over the past

In particular, pictures were published last Saturday by the Duily Mail, the Daily Express, The Sun and the Daily Mirror, of Master Peter Phillips out

shooting pheasant with his father. Captain Mark Phillips.
Yesterday morning the Daily Mul also carried a photograph of the Queen riding with Prince Edward, she was sternly glaring in the direction of the photogra-

A Buckingham Palace assistant press secretary. Mr John Haslam, issued statement saving that the media had been "continuing to harass the Queen and her family ever since they arrived at Sandringham from Windsor last Wednesday for their holiday"

Editors or their deputies were contacted directly by the Palace, which said that the request for withdrawal of staff came direct from the Queen.

"Until recently the conven-tion has been that the Royal Family is left in peace during this private holiday period. Her Majesty hopes that editors will be able to reestablish this convention." Mr Haslam said.

The most recent similar appeal was in December, 1981, when all newspaper and broadcasting editors were invited to Buckingham Palace for a meeting with the Queen's press secretary, Mr Michael Shea.

It took place after harassment of the Princess of Wales, then suffering morning sickness during pregnancy, and included a request that the Royal Family be left in peace at Sandringham.

weeks to reassess his policy on

the presence of US Marines in

Beirut or face a politically

damaging Congressional battle

He returned to the White

House last night from a week's holiday in California to face a

heavy timetable of meetings

with advisers and Cabinet

colleagues. Even some of the

most ardent supporters of his

Beirut policy are beginning to

waver.
The body of opposition, or at

least scepticism is now formid-

able. Congress reassembles on January 23, ready to challenge

the Administration and possibly

to countermand its authoriza-

tion to Mr Reagan to keep American troops in Beirut until

Mr Reagan's most solid congressional ally, Senator John

Tower, chairman of the armed

services committee, left for the

Middle East yesterday on a

hurriedly arranged tour, to evaluate the Marines role. Any

recommendation he makes will

have a profound impact on Mr

Hosni Mubarak of Egypt, Mr

Yitzhak Shamir, Prime Minis-

ter of Israel, President Amin Geymayel of Lebanon and President Hafez al-Asrad of

Since Congress gave that authority in October, the

passive, peace-keeping role that

President Reagan envisaged for

US troops has become imposs-

ible to sustain due to continuing

military onslaughts against the Marines. The massacre of 241

Two policemen

shot dead

in Madrid

Two Spanish policemen wen

machine-gunned to death in the south-west Madrid suburb of

Leganes in the rush hour esterday morning (Harry

There was no immediate

claim for responsibility but suspicions fell on the Basque separatist organization ETA or the October First Antifascist

Resistance Groups known as Grapo.

The killing and the death of a left-wing ETA leader in exile

compound the problems
Demonstrations have been

scheduled in several Basque towns to protest against the death in France late on Sunday

of the ETA leader Senor Mikel

Goikoetxea Elorriaga, alins Txapeta, shot last Wednesday by right-wing activists of the GAL (Anti-terrorist Liberation Group). Photograph, page 5

Debelius writes).

April, 1985.

Syria.

for their early withdrawal.

This time the Queen 15 disappointed because it was we're quite content."

"made clear" to journalists that a photocall last month with Prince William and his parents at Kensington Palace was granted in the expectation that the press would stay away over

the holiday period.
One Buckingham Palace source said vesterday: "At the weekend there were about 20 photographers and reporters round Sandringham, They were using telephoto lenses and radio-controlled cars in what seems little short of a militarystyle operation,

Picture editors in Fleet Street said that most photographs used over the weekend notably those of Master Phillips out



Mr Michael Shea: The Oneen's press secretary.

shooting pheasant, were taken by freelance photographers, known as "paparazzi", who specialize in private pictures of

the famous at play.

Daily Mail staff, the only
Fleet Street presence at Sandringham when the statement was issued, withdrew immediately on the instruction of their editor Sir David English. They had been waiting, with

freelance photographers, near the estate stables. Freelances also left, and one. Mr Keith Butler, said: "All photographs have been taken from the road we don't consider it snooping. We're quite happy to pull out. We don't wish to upset the

Anger growing in Congress

over Beirut Marines

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

public opinion.

tions - in July.

advocating.

Democratic

President Reagan has three soldiers in a bomb attack on congressional sentiment has

the first of the party conven-

tion campaign managers have

noted with alarm the sudden

exploitation of the Beirut issue

by leading Democratic presi-

Marines stay - the very opposite of what he is now

leaders meet today to discuss

American policy in Lebanon

and to consider proposals requiring the Administration to

pull the troops out before

expiration of the deadline,

issued by Congress last October.

There is no doubt that

congressional

Republican presidential elec-

Privately. White House hard officials believe Mr Reagan will last

Democratic Party convention - efforts.

October 23 has clearly had a moved further away from Mr

decisive impact on American Reagan's position in recent

see the political wisdom of America's over-emphasis on getting all or most of the military means in Beirut at the Marines out of Beirut before the expense of diplomatic peace

dential rivals, particularly Mr interview that the Marines Walter Mondale. Only a week should be moved from their ago be advocated letting the positions at Beirut airport.

days, principally because of a
White House hard hitting Pentagon report

Royal Family. They've obliged us with some good pictures, so

The Sun refused to comment on whether the Queen's wishes would be respected, and the Daily Express said that it was a matter between the editor and

Mr Brian Hitchin, London editor of the Daily Star, said that it had not used freelance pictures or sent its own photographers, and the Daily Mirror said that it was unable to comment in the absence of the editor. Mr Michael Molloy.

The Daily Telegraph editor,
Mr William Deedes, said that
he had not sent anyone to
Sandringham and did not
intend to use pictures of the
Royal Family during a private
holiday

holiday.

Mr Ken Dodd, executive editor of the The Guardian, said that it had not sent anyone. On the request not to use freelance pictures, he added: "One cannot commit oneself not to use them. but on the other hand we would, generaly speaking, not use them unless they were of an outstanding item of major

The Times, which did not send anyone, said that it would not use material obtained during royal holidays, except that taken at official engage ments, or in circumstances of genuine and overriding news importance.

Sir David Englsih said that this year's writing and photo-graphing was no different from previous vears.

"The public likes to see such pictures, but once they have been taken and published, that should be the end of the matter and the Royal Family must be allowed to enjoy their holiday in privacy. That has always been the attitude of the Daily

He added that he hoped the Queens press advisers would arrange such pictures "with the minimum of inconvenience" in

week that criticized

Three former directors of the

Central Intelligence Agency

have questioned the role of the Marines in Lebanon. Admiral

Stansfield Turner, Mr James

Schlesinger and Mr William

Colby, suggested in a joint

Even among Republican

congressional ranks, increasing doubts are being publicly expressed about President

■ PARIS: France will reduce

its 1,750-strong peacekeeping contingent in Beirut by nearly

500 men towards the end of this

month (AFP reports).

A unit of 482 men tempor-

arily transferred to Beirut from

the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (Unifil) will

rejoin the UN force in southern

Lebanon at the end of January. The total number of French

troops in Lebanon will remain unchanged.

LONDON: Mr Denzil

Davies, shadow Defence Minis-

ter, called on the Government yesterday to summon an urgent meeting of all nations in the

Lebanon peace-keeping force to consider withdrawing their troops (the Press Association

Reagan's policy.

The Queen and the Queen Mother in a public appearance on their way to church at Sandringham on New Year's Day. (Photograph: Julian Parker). Nigeria's new ruler may include civilians in Cabinet

By Our Foreign Suff The new Supreme Military as governors of Vigerit's 19 states whose civilian governors were indered to vacate their Council of Nigeria meets in agos today to name a Cabinet

the country's borders and communications, closed since international telephone and the everthrow on Saturday of the civilian Government of President Shehu Shagari.

The Cabine: which will be under the control of a Military Council of 16 members named on Sunday right, could include civilians and will supervise the running of government.

Major-General Mohammed Buhari, who led the coup, has become military council chairman and commander-in-chief of the Armad E-mandage in the appearance of the coup in Abuja, the official from the stocktroker Laing and but unfaished new captail of Cruickshank, 2½ per cent from the adoption.

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when he went to arrest the

Most of Nigeria's main newspapers among the most

free and vociferous in Africa

reported public support yester-day for General Buharry takes over and some welcomed the

move in leading articles citing lacklustn performance by the

elected government.
According to observers bit.
Shagari had become increasingly cu off from Migraes

The Supreme Military Coun-

Nigeria.
The independent newspaper of the Armed Forces. At his first Punch sid in an unconfirmed meeting at State House in Lagos report m Lagos yesterday that meeting at State House in Lagos yesterday with Nigeria's leading there we lighting between the presidental guard and proops who detained Mr Shagar after an unarmed brigadier was tilled



Mr Yakubu Gowon, the former military ruler of Nigeria, who flew to Togo with his family last Thursday, two days before the coup, according to reliable sources in Abidjan. Mr. Gowen, aged 45, returned to Nigeria only on December 5 after living in exile in Britain since his overthrow in 1975 by a group of officers which included General Buhari, Nigeria's new head of state.

Evil servants, he warned them that anyone misusing government funds would be locked up and asked that those who disagreed with the military regime should resign.

General Buhari said his regime welcomed advice from loyal civil service experts, who should work with "civilian or military ministers" and leave politics to Cabinet members.

Today's Council will also discuss appointing military men the state of the street of th before the coup, according to reliable sources in Abidjan, Mr.

are happier about 1984 By Our Emancial Staff

Economic forecasters are predicting that 1984 will be a good year for the economy, but not as good as the Treasury has

suggested. Fears that the company

Economists

from James Capel. Laing and Cruickshank says that the public sector borrowing dangerously misleading

Borrowing for productive investment by state industries, the stockbroker says, should be excluded and the impact of memployment and inflation

Skiers go in search of snow

By Staff Reporters Ski operators are moving holidaymakers around the Alps and Pyrenees in search of snow, because of a bout of fresh

warm weather.
Thomson Holidays, the biggest ski tour operator from this country, is worried that it may have to pay large suns in compensation under its snow guarantee scheme. But in Scotland there is too much snow, and skiers are being hampered by blizzards and snowdrifts.

Warm southerly winds have left areas of the Alps looking more like spring meadows, with heather and daisies in bloom. The prospect of a substantial snow fall there was described by the London Weather Centre last night as sline and showers of snow espected towards the end of the week would probably fayour the Austrian rather than

the French end. Skiers are said to be farin: best at higher altitudes, although even above 6,5000ft. snew tends to be "patchy". Food and drink shops and restaurants in some Swisresorts are enjoying record takings as brustrated skier turn to more sedentary enter-

The French resort of Val d'Isere had 30 cm of snow in the town last night and up to 50 cm on the slopes, about half the normal depth. Conditions were described as "rather hard, but quite skinble". Chamonix had only 50 cm at

3.500 metres, between a third and a quarter of normal. "Not ."Unless there is some snow

soon the season could be a disaster, said Thomson Holi-days, which has already paid ent compensation for one resort in the Pyrenees. "So far we have been able to

transfer holidaymakers in the have some snow but what there is is going pretty fast and we will need some heavy snowfalls soon to be safe", the company

"Conditions: could certainly he heries". Horizon Holidays inting on the lower slopes. pointing on the local representatives will more people around to find

But blizzards in the Scottish Highlands created different problems. So much snow fell in 24 hours that the road to the closed due to drifting. The road was reopened once, but the knots, so chairs and machines

could not operate.

Police warned walkers to
beware of atrocious conditions but Mr Sandy Caird, who owns a winter sports company, said: The place is going mad. We exchided and the impact of memployment and inflation at the hill, they are skiing round the village.

Forget the thrill of the Cresta Run. What about the thrill of Harvey Nichols Sale.

You'll find huge reductions in all departments. first bone

The employee Arganeted with the gard punched in the face eventually freed finnel and ranged the lish aged biliven 20 and 21 intoet of 10 into of medium hold and wearnighted at wearnighted to say exactly how mith was taken.

Sale starts 1 in and 1 in a start of the starts 1 in a start of the with many items at half price, including Designer Collections, Separates and Knitwear, Shoes, Fashion Accessories, Leisurewear, Menswear, Childrenswear. Revillon Furs Carpets and Beds, Furniture, China, Glass, Linens and Greens Electrical.

Harvey Nichols, Knightsbridge, SWL Sale starts Thursday 9.30-700.

Sport of millions threatened

Hunt saboteurs turn on angling By Hagh Clayton

Hant saboteurs have decided to disrupt angling, by far the most popular country sport. The Hunt Saboteurs' Association intends to interfere with the sport of three million anglers as well as the activities

Senator Tower: Hurriedly

arranged mission.

the sport of three million anglers as well as the activities of the 200,000 who go hunting.

The association says saboteurs can try to scare fish away from anglers, by throwing stones into rivers and by sinking altrasonic sound equipment powered by car batteries into the water.

And just as fexbounds are now led astray by false scents laid by saboteurs, anglers would be confused by faked official notices warning them off because of disease. The National Anglers' Council said yesterday that some such notices had already appeared.

The decision to extend the targets from the supposedly upper-crost thousands who pursue foxes and hares to the less afficient millions who try to catch fish has led two senior

Mr David Wetton, who has members of the association to resign as officers. resigned as the association's membership secretary, said: "I would like to see fishing abolished, but I do not think it is going to happen in my lifetime. I would prefer to see us out of it until hound sports are abolished." News of the new policy on fishing reached the associ-ation's 3,500 members on the latest issue of its magazine, are abolished."

Two lines in the provisional tactics guide in *How!* were blacked out in all copies. They read: "Lone lishermen: a nudge in the back works wonders." The guide was written by Mr Hary Cross, a hunt sabotage organizer in north Humberside. He suggested the posting of convincing disease warning notices to deter anythers. These notices to deter anglers "These

have to be of a professional appearance with local fishing authority or Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food stated," he wrote.

The other official who has resigned is Mr Bob August,

secretary.

He warned members that the Labour Party would not abolish hunting if three million anglers were persuaded to form a united defence of field sports with the hunting community.

£250,000 taken in armed Post Office raid Descrives were humany last-might for two men who escaped with alton 1250,000 in cash-after at amed raid at a Post Office in Darwall Street, Wal-sall-West Midlands

They men one with a hand gun brute in through a madew after climbing a fire escape.

They field up an employee in his office before taking the cash from fire bores in the safe.



ment and declining member-ship, the TUC has called a The paper, prepared for t conference to draw up plans to fight employers' continuing resistance to shorter working

some success in its campaign: in the past four years most manual workers have breached the 40hour week "barrier" and increased holiday entitlements by

But the labour movement acknowledges that much still needs to be done to achieve the target of a 35-hour week, six weeks annual holiday, the choice of early retirement on adequate pensions and cuts in overtime. On the latter aim trade union leaders have encountered opposition from their own members, who are seeking

to keep up their earnings.
The policy of reduced workintervene to create employ- says.
ment, A discussion paper says

The conference will consider

Faced with high unemploy- that under the Conservatives it The paper, prepared for the conference at TUC head-quarters on February 3, says the

> however, that it will not be possible to return to higher levels of employment without cuts in working time. The TUC argued at the December meeting of the National Economic Development Council that unemployment could reach five million by 1990, with much of the remaining employment in

"Reduced working time should therefore be seen as-sharing out the benefits of economic progress rather than ing time is the TUC's answer to sharing out the misery of the Government's refusal to economic recession", the paper

the first round of talks with the

II companies awarded con-

ditional licences to operate multichannel cable television

The franchises, given approval at the end of November,

are only to be granted after the

Government is satisfied that

certain programming and poss-

ibly financial undertakings are

given. The conditions vary

according to the company and

The Home Office has sought

'information and assurances"

from the cable consortia which

will meet government officials

again in another series of

meetings later this month to

agree the operating terms of the

The II, awarded from 37

applications, have been criti-

cized for their geographical bias

toward the South-east. Five are

Talks resume on ship strike:

By Our Labour Reporter

Union leaders said that the

£7 offer was not the main issue.

The company's plan was seek-

ing "to go too far, too fast".

The company, which record-

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Car death as pony falls on M5

A woman was killed and her husband and two sons were injured late on New Year's Day after a pony jumped from a lorry into the path of their car on the M5 near Bridgwater,

The lorry tailboard had sprung open and the pony, one of 12 being taken to winter pasture, kicked through wooden

Mr William Roberts, aged 46, salesman, who was driving home to Weston-super-Mare, Avon, after a day out with his family, hit the pony, which was killed, and the car spun off the

Mrs Gail Roberts, aged 43, was killed instantly, and Mr Roberts and his sons, Nicholas, aged 21, and Elliott, aged 18, were taken to hospital. Mr Nicholas Roberts was still in hospital yesterday and was said in the extended London area with only one in the Midlands

With three days to go before

workers start on all-out strike,

talks to avert it resume today

Representatives of the Con-

federation of Shipbuilding and

Engineering Unions and the state-owned company British Shipbuilders will meet Mr

Dennis Boyd of the Advisory

Conciliation and Arbitration

The company has said that it

Service (Acas) in separate talks.

will refuse to negotiate with the

unions until the strike threat

has been lifted, but has con-

sented to explain its radical "survival plan" which is at the heart of the dispute. The workers have been offered a £7

a week productivity bonus in

there was a glimmer of hope so

long as talks continued.

amid continuing gloom.

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The discussion paper of the Agnalgamated United Engineering Workers, archived a 39-hour west taking of the paper of The document contends,

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The CBI has argued

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have some form of partership

has an \$4,000-home carment area in Windsor, Sloup and

Maidenhead, intends to a first

cable station to have public

meetings similar to those

adopted by the independent

Broadcasting Authority in an

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Office also approved the pan-sion of 11 existing cable networks. Unlike the multi-

channel systems which will

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Yard aid in Whitehall 'mole' hunt

By Pat Healy The hunt for the Whitehall noie" who leaked a confidential memorandum on the arrival of cruise missiles appears to be making progress. The Director of Public Prosecutions has asked for belp from Scotland Yard, indicating that there is now firm evidence for the police

to work on.

Det Chief Supt Ronald
Hardy of the Yard's serious crime squad is heading the investigation, which involves five government offices and three in Parliament. The memorandum to the Prime Minister from Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, is believed to have been sent to the Home Office, Foreign Office and Cabinet Office as well as the Offices of

The "mole" could have worked in any of those offices or in Mr Heselthie's depart-ment or on the Prime Minister's stuff. The search has been made easier by the decision of The Guardian, to whom the memorandum was leaked, to comply with a High Court

the Government Chief Whip

and leaders of the Lords and

decision ordering its return. Meanwhile, action to oppose cruise missiles and the arrival broadcast signals, but ould be of Trident missiles is being extended in Britain. Ms Helen John, one of the original Greenham Common women, was arrested by Ministry of Defence police outside the base bail and ordered to appear before Newbury magistrates tomorrow on a charge of causing criminal damage to encing.

The arrest provoked an immediate protest from Miss Ann Clwyd, MEP for Mid and West Wales, who said arrests at the base had increased since craise missiles became operational on New Year's Eve. "I can only assume that the

authorities, under instruction from Mr Heseltine, have decided to harass and intimidate the women who are keeping vigil outside the base," she said.

Greenham women living at the six peace camps around the base have set up rotas to watch for departing launchers of other vehicles connected with the missiles. In their latest newsletter they are appealing for more women to help in the

-- Eden's successor, Mr Harold

Macmillan, was not much more

enthusiastic. No "high prin-ciples" were involved. Bringing

danger of losing many friends over the issue. "The coalition against us includes Church, Kirk and Counting House, the

combination of forces which

finally drove out the Stuarts."

Unless independent television could be introduced within nine

months, Mr Macmillan favoured dropping the idea for

That commercial television

managed to appear in 1955 can now be seen to have been thanks to the vigorous lobbying

of a small group of backben

Conservatives who kept up the pressure in spite of the Cabi-

net's indifference and the vocal

opposition of Conservative

The Postmaster General of

Churchill and Eden

wanted to stop ITV

Independent television might a measure which might adnever have come to Britain if wersely affect the taste and the views of Sir Winston education of the people."

Cabinet records for 1953 smacked only of "political lukewarm and at worst hostile Cabinet memorandum.

Cabinet records for 1953 smacked only of "political expediency", he wrote in a towards breaking that BBCs. The Conservatives were in conservatives were in

Government ought to introduce the day, Earl De La Warr, was

BR denies planning big cuts in services

British Rail streamously de- railways and the public transthat there is to be any large port industry and to decide scale restructuring of the rail further action, next May after reports. Mr Prescott said he is to

that the new timetables will demand a Commons debate on concentrate on big cans in off- a weekend report by the Transport Users' Consultative The 30 per cent reductions Committee for London and the planned for some parts of the South-east were criticized by the South-East, which he said meant massive cuts in routes and services on a scale far worse Prescott, the shadow transport than any envisaged by Dr minister, who accused British Rail and the Government of

being "in cahoots" in a plan to: reason the Opposition was fighting the Government's decision to cut £200m from the public service obligation to

of Railwaymen, said services would continue to deteriorate British Rail reacted calmly to unless there was a change of the onslaught yesterday. It said attitude, adequate investment if was "as much swings as it is and financial support. Fares rise roundabouts". British Rail was by an average of 4 per cent on to match the service to demand. and the biggest changes were on The rail unions' federation is the Southern region, where to meet, probably late next services were being recast, week, to consider what Mr particularly on the central Knapp called the whole division where a new Garwick position facing the service was being introduced.

British Rail regions are reluctant to give details of new timetable until March, but these are the details so far:

SOUTHERN: Reductions in WESTERN: Little change on peak hour trains from Canter- services to Bristol and South bury, Maidstone and Hastings. Wales. Cors will be equivalent 30 per cent reduction from to losing four trains each way in and Folkestone to the middle of the day. London. Fewer trains to Lon-MIDLANDS: "As far as we don from Kent and Sussex; 25 per cent reductions in inner know at the present stage, nothing drastic affecting us at suburban services from areas like Streatham, Conlsdon, Purley and Bexleyheath; no EASTERN: Very little alter-ation. No information on any Sunday service from Streatbam, Tules Hill and Peckham cut. Things "still being forma-Rye. Victoria-Portsmonth dienvisaged"... rect service withdrawn to that SCOTITSH: No big cuts. passengers from places on route, such as Sutton, Dorking "Nothing but good news this year". Timetables not finalized, and Horsham, will have to change trains to London.

Amberley and Plumpton stations to have peak-only but speed-up planned in services to London. Obser-

Garages reject register

Calls for a statutory system of

motor trade, says that competition and improved training for garage staff are more likely to give customers a better deal than government-imposed regu-

options set out by the Office of Fair Trading in its recent discussion paper on car servic-

ing and repairs.
But the institute says: "We do not believe that registration and legislation is in the best interests "The lack of a single acceptable professional qualification would inevitable lead to a heavy policing cost and the potential

vation cars planned for West Highland line, where there is also the possibility of return of

a solution to the dispute.

Unrest in

By Rodney Cowton

based on a letter from an unnamed member of the crew

board by the officers. A spokesman for the ministry said that if levels of discontent had reached anything like those suggested the Navy would have already been very well aware of it. There were probably a few crew members who were

Invincible sailed for the Far

Aerial view: Close inspection for a display by the Society of Antique Aircraft Modellers at the Model Engineer Exhibition is the Wembley Conference Centre. More than a thousand exhibits are shown, including trains, ships, and cars, and there

crew denied

The Ministry of Defence last night denied a report that members of the crew of HMS Invincible, which is now sailing in the Far East, were so dissatisfied that 70 per cent of them wanted either to leave the Navy or change sains.

The report in the Daily Star, said that sailors were being used as "skivvies". They were being constantly humiliated and abused by officers, and had to do extra duties in connexion with cocktail parties given on

Receptions were held on the ship as a means of reciprocating the hospitality and good will shown by people at the ports which the ships visited. Those people often went to considerable trouble in corganizing sporting, and other, events for

the crew. East in September and is not due to return to Britain until April. The ministry said that from the point of view of good will the voyage so far had been a

Invincible

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great success.

in race for Chesterfield nomination: By Anthony Bevins Political Correspondent

Narrow gap

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Mr Wedgwood Benn is thought to be running neck and neck with another former MP. Mr Philip Whitehead, for the Labour nomination in the Chesterfield by-election.

It was reported last night that there was severe depression in the anti-Benn camp, nationally, because of Derbyshire intelligence that Mr Benn was "home

and dry".

But Mr Benn's local op-ponents, in Chesterfield, dismissed that suggestion, saying that the odds were 6 to 4 in Mr Whitehead's favour.

One member of the 144member general committee which will choose the candidate on January 15 last night hinted that there was considerable organization behind the anti-Benn faction in the constitu-

ency party. Certainly, the right wing last week managed to muster enough voting power to give Mr Whitehead, former MP for Derby, North, the nomination from Rother ward, which had previously been regarded as a militant stronghold.

But even Mr Benn's opponents reckon that he has enough support to lead in the first ballot for selection, although no one expects to achieve the required outright majority at that stage of the elimination process.

Labour leadership interest in the by-election, expected in March is acute. No one doubts that Mr Neil Kinnock would privately favour Mr Whitehead to contest the seat, if only because Mr Benn's candidature would focus attention or Labour divisions.

The other former Labour MP whose name has been mentioned in the race for nominations, Miss Joan Lestor, was said to have received no backing from Chasterfield wards and union branches.

It is thought that when the party executive meets to draw up a shortlist on Friday, there will be about ten nominations on the table.

Apart from Mr. Benn and Mr. Whitehead, there are three local council leaders: Mr William Flanagan, of Chesterfield borough; Mr Clifford Fox, of north-east Derbyshire district: and Mr David Bookbinder, of Derbyshire county, who parliamentary candidate Amber Valley in June.

Mr Paul Vaughan, the con-stituency party president; Mr John Lenthall, constituency party treasurer, and Mr Terence Kendellan, chairman of finance on the borough council; have also been nominated along with two outside nominees from the national candidates' panels maintained by the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers and the Transport and General Workers' Union.

NGA to renew plea for support from TUC

By Our Labour Reporter

Leaders of the National Graphical Association are to appear before the TUC's employment policy and organiza-tion committee (EPOC) on Friday to renew their pleas for help in the Stockport Messenger dispute.

A special Meeting of the committee has been called by its chairman Mr William Keys, general secretary of the print union Sogat 82, who is making a fresh attempt this week to find

It will be the first meeting of the committee since its decision to back a 24-hour national newspaper strike was repudiated last month by Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, who was then backed by its general council:

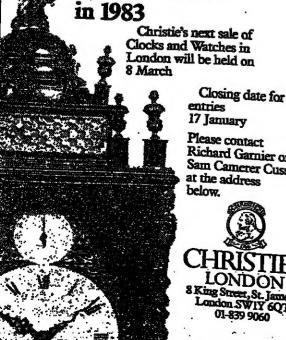
EPOC's motion to offer a "supportive" attitude to the strike by the NGA, whose £11m funds have been sequestrated by the courts, was referred back to the committee

An attempt by Mr Mostyn (Moss) Evans, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, to set up an NGA support group among leftwing unious has been put in abeyance until after Friday's EPOC talks and a meeting of the NGA's national council in a fortnight's time. The NGA's battle for the

closed shop at Messenger group plants and the reinstatement of six of its members on strike at the company's Stockport plant has bought fines of £675,000 for contempt of court.



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Mr Graham Day, chairman plan" is an attempt to dose the 60,000 shipbuilding of the company, has decided to productivity gap with it Northreman at home in Canada on ern European competitors holiday despite the unions? management having gven up any hope that it could match its contention that he should be present today. Mr Day intends rivals in the Far East. to return on Friday, the day the British Shipbuilders has told

stoppage is due to begin.

A spokesman for British union negotiators tha Euro-Shipbuilders said last night that pean yards can produce similar ships to those made in Britain the discussions, which started at with between 30 and 50 percent the London offices of Acas last Friday and then adjourned, fewer man hours. would today concentrate on the detail of the planned new

skilled workers to perform some tasks traditionally retained by skilled workers.

ed a loss of £58m in the first return for agreeing to the plan.

Last night neither side was optimistic about the outcome of the metings, but both said that yards are near the end of their contracts, with no work in sight. The company's "survival

Its plan provides for inter-changeability between various steelworking crafts throughout all departments and it would require semi-skilled and un-

Other radical elements in the scheme would be the introduction of integrated teams to cooperate without demarkation. There would also be possible new shift patterns instead of the standard 7.30am to 4.30pm day.

the views of Sir Wieston of Churchill and other senior Conservatives had prevailed in the early 1950s, according to official papers released by the Public Record Office this week.

television monopoly. Churchill grumbled about an issue "in no way vital to the safety of the state" that had not even figured in the Conservatives". 1951 during 1953 the Cabinet came close to abandoning are whole

close to abandoning the whole idea of commercial television.

If the idea had foundered

then, it seems unfillely that either of Churchill's Conserva-

tive successors would have revived it. Sir Anthony Eden disliked the plan for commercial broadcast for commercial broadca

cial broadcasting and thought it would be run by hated news-

paper proprietors. According to the Cabinet minute-taker, "He

does not think a Conservative

New variations

parage registration in Britain have been rejected by the Institute of the Motor Industry. The institute, which represents professionals in the

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via Maidstone withdrawn.

hour train Victoria-Ashford

shrink the rail system.

Mr James Knapp, general secretary of the National Union

development of a bureaucracy that could severely affect workshop efficiency."

Cabinet's home and foreign secrets revealed

Legally-enforceable garage registration was one of the



Eden: fear of newspaper owners running ITV

required by his Cabinet col-leagues to keep going back to produce new variations of the plan that eventually gave birth to the Independent Television The Cabinet records for 1953

disclose a number of other "might have beens". One is the title of the Queen. During Cabinet discussions of the Coronation oath, the Secretary of State for Scotland, Mr James Stuart, made a vigorous bid to have the Queen styled simply Queen Elizabeth, on the grounds that she was not Elizabeth II of Scotland.

Britain nearly got a new system of spelling in 1953 when Mr I. J. Pitman successfully introduced to the Commons a Bill for phonetic spelling it reached the third reading stage before the government chief whip agitatedly reported to the Cabinet that there was no guarantee it could be defeated.

High absenteeism Churchill was alarmed at the

notential threat to the language. Eventually a deal was struck with Mr Pitman. He withdrew his Bill on condition that the Ministry of Education undertook to promote research on teaching reading by means of the "nu speling". Churchill's Cabinet had other worries, too. A constant head-

ache according to the minutes, was the productivity of coal miners. Great consternation was caused by a proposal from the Jockey Club to rearrange the day on which the St Leger was held at Doncaster race course. held at Doncaster race course. Traditionally it was held on Wednesday but during the 1947 finel emergency it had been switched to Saturday to keep the racegoing sumers of Yorkshire down the pits cutting coal.

Now the stewards wanted the race run on Wednesday again. Ministers feared "high absenteeism and large scale coal losses" and the Cabinet sesolved to twist the stewards' intelligence teams into the

Plans for takeover in Thailand A secret plan, prepared in

1953 on the orders of Sir Winston Churchill, for British troops to occupy a slice of southern Thailand to prevent Malaya falling to the Commu-nists is revealed in Cabinet and thiefs-of-staff papers declass-ified this week under the 30-

year rule.

Though British forces had been fighting Communist insurgents in Malaya with increasing success for five years, the chiefs were fearful of a domino effect if Indo-China fell to the Viet Minh or if Thailand was subverted from within.

They sought, therefore, Cabi-net approval of a contingency plan for the occupation of the Songkhla position across the Malaysian peninsula north of the Malayan border. At a special staff conference with the chiefs on April 26,

1953, Churchill authorized detailed preparation of the plan

in strict secrecy. Only those who "needed to know" should be informed, and the plan "should certainly not be disclosed. in May, General Sir Gerald Templer, British High Con-missioner in Malaya, was attempting to infiltrate counter-



Templer: Infiltration attempted

Songkhla area to prepare the ground for a possible occu-By November 1953, however, Sir Gerald was able to report to the chiefs that the insurgency

was dying down owing to "loss of tactical initiative by the communists, lowering of communist morale [and] considerable internal dissension in the communist ranks fostered by various intelligence organi zations".

British forces, in fact, never

managed to penetrate the small, hard core of Malayan communists. They had been fighting in the jungle since 1941 and "had developed superb clandestine techniques which made them extremely difficult to kill". Tomorrow: Russia Britain

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Rear seat safety harness law sought as hundreds are saved by 'belt-up' rule

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gathered throughout Britain. cent drop by September. gathered inroughout Britain.
Apart from saving as many as 700 lives, seat belts are thought to have prevented serious mitures to between 5.000 and 2.000 others.

Cent drop by September.

Plastic surgeons were required to help fewer victims badly scarred by hitting windscreens. Mr Derek Mercer of the plastic surgeon unit at the

they were 70 per cent fewer such injuries in the first two months of legislation.

helis have escaped with minor have always been in favour of

The first national statistics on port it." how many lives have been saved are likely to be made known in April, after a two-year survey of 16 hospitals, led by Mr William Rutherford, head of the accident and emergency

department of the Royal Victoria Hospital in Belfast. He said: "The early indicutions are very encouraging. There has certainly been a significant drop in the number of deaths and serious injuries".

In 1982, 2.227 people were killed in the front seats of cars and vans, and 130,000 others injured, 28,550 of them seriously. Seat belts were then worn by only 40 per cent of front seat occupants. Now more than 90 per cent obey the seat belt law.

In the first month after the law was introduced, there were no fatal accidents in Norfolk. compared with 19 deaths in February 1982. By May, Birmingham Eye Hospital had treated only one victim injured by windscreen fragments. There were previously about ten such patients in that four-month

The Department of Trans- Mrs Lynda Chalker: "Proport calculated that by June,

work" over random breath tests vote.

without instructions from Par-

claimed success in their breath-

test campaign over the Christ-mas and new year holiday, Mr

John Prescott, the Opposition

transport spokesman, said:
"Parliament has evaded this

issue for too long.

I believe random testing is

already happening and Parlia-ment should define in what

As police throughout Britain

liament.

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Wearing seat belts in the front of cars and light vans became compulsory on January 31 last year, and evidence of big reductions in road accident consulties since then is being casualty total showed a 6.5 per that, an extra 6 per cent of tront seat passengers would also be saved, because that is the period, and West Mercia Police's casualty total showed a 6.5 per that, an extra 6 per cent of tront seat passengers would also be saved, because that is the period, and West Mercia Police's On such percentages, using casualties since then is being casualty total showed a 6.5 per

Cases of facial scarring Caused by people crashing through windscreens have fallen dramatically: at one hospital such referrals had "fallen dramatically".
The Royal Automobile Club.

Drivers and passengers who lation being introduced, admitwould have died without seat ted to a change of heart. "We injuries, and chest and leg injuries have become more common than head wounds.

But the number of organs available for transplant has not been affected because more than a legislation of the carry statistics, we are delighted been affected because more than more lives are being saved. been affected, because most that more lives are being saved. come from pedestrians or The law has definitely had a cyclists involved in accidents.

The law has definitely had a beneficial effect, and we sup-

Now many doctors and safety researchers are pressing for the conducted by the Volvo motor

the accident research unit at windscreen or side windows as Birmingham University, said: are front occupants. Other research has shown how an incompanies of the control of important piece of legislation in eleven-stone adult in the back road safety in a generation. It is of a car becomes a two-ton saving perhaps two lives a day, projectile when the vehicle is



ceed with caution".

MP seeks breath test ruling

A Labour frontbench MP Commons move in 1981 to said yesterday that the police introduce random tests, but it individuals are never sure what was heavily defeated on a free their rights are."

towards random testing. Some

chief constables are setting up road blocks and stopping a

number of cars at a time on the

basis of checking tyres, wind-

screen wipers or licences, and

then, as soon as they smell the breath, they make a judgment

police do the dirty work without

about drink.

ment should define in what circumstances it should take testing. Parliament should place and what are the rights of define the terms in which it

the individual caught in that should be done. Letting the

Mr Prescott supported a any instructions from Parlia-

save 70 per cent of those killed in the back of cars. Not only

On such percentages, using 1982 figures, 205 rear occupants and 151 front seat occupants would escape death in crashes. Forty per cent of rear seat passengers are children, representing 82 children killed in

Dr Charles Brook, consultant paediatrician at the Central Middlesex Hospital, London, said: "I have seen children with faces half torn away, a child with his back broken by a head restraint, and two others thrown through windows on impact,

Mr John Hindle, consultant in charge of the accident and emergency unit at the Luton and Dunstable Hospital, said: "We had the victims of a headon collision just before Christmas. The parents in the front seats of one car survived with relatively minor injuries. But their two children in the back were killed."

A study, of 10,000 accidents compulsory use of rear seat manufacturers, has shown that elts in cars.

Or Murray Mackay, head of to be hurled through the involved in a 30mph crash.

But although anchorage points for rear belts have been mandatory in cars in Britain since October 1981, Mrs Lynda Chalker, Minister of State at the Department of Transport, has responded only cautiously to demands for making rear seat belts compulsory. The issue has been raised many times". she told the Commons in July, "and is something with which we should proceed with all caution. Let us get the fitting of the belts and the type of belts correct first."

Some 7,400 people in Britain are exempted from wearing seat belts for medical reasons. For those not exempted, the maximum fine for breaking the seat

Saturday and Sunday, 50 were found positive. Last year 36 out of 58 were found positive.

Nottinghemshire police breath-tested nearly 4,000 drivers in 14 days over Christmas and the new year. Skyleight were found to be

positive compared with 76 the

previous year when 650 fewer

In Derbyshire, police car-

ried out 1,235 tests over 16

days of the holiday. Of those

motorists were tested.

Fan dancer: Jenifer Menard, aged 13, cooling down before taking dancing event at the Hammersmith Palais, London yesterday, Ph Kidds"

News speak: the voice of authority

By Kenneth Gosling BBC English is still highly

regarded by most people and its users are credited with honesty. integrity and intelligence and even good looks.

Four accents come rock bottom in the public's estimation, according to Professor John Honey, head of Leicester Polytechnic's School of Eduction, writing in the magazine Personnel Management.
Those are Cockney, Liver-

pool scouse, Birmingham and Glaswegian. Edinburgh Scot-tish is rated highly; Geordie, Yorkshire and West-country come roughly midway in popular esteem.

"Posh" and exaggerated accents producing words like "orf", "clorth" and "lerst" are a turn-off, he says. They are known as "marked RP", the initials standing for "received pronunciation". Marked RP speakers say "bad" as "bed" and "stones" as "stains". Some members of the Royal Family talk like this. so that prockers talk like this, so that speakers like the Prince of Wales tend to "move abite the hice", he says.

The professor notes the significance of advertisers appealing to people of Glasgow, London, Liverpool and Bir-mingham not in the local accents used by the majority. but in much more standard

forms.

And he praises "brilliant" speakers like Mr Arthur Scargill, the mineworkers' leader, who manage different accents according to their andience, in a television inter-

view. But while Professor Honey maintains that the broadcast-ing bodies have trouble promot-ing a wide range of accents because news thus pron loses its credibility, the BBC denied there was any such objection from listeners or

"There is no policy to exclude accents or to have uniformity of accents", a spokeswoman in a strong regional accent said.

Professor Honey, however, believes it to be revealing to note the main functions for which radio and television use local accents: weather, sports commentaries and comedy. He adds that speakers with

"less prestigious" "less prestigious" accents, especially speech containing non-standard grammar or vo-cabulary, will have more difficulty than RP speakers in difficulty than Kr speakers in asserting their rights in a court of law, when stopped by a policeman, or in a tight spot anywhere when credibility is at

Even Coronation Street reflects "right" and "wrong" acceuts. Ken Barlow and Annie Walker use a northern version of RP; Stan and Hilda Ogden are unschooled and slow-witted and have thick accents. Professor Honey concludes that it would be helpful if our

educational system set itself both to discuss accent differences more frankly and to increase the facility of all pupils to exploit a wider repertoire of speaking styles,

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expected to rise shortly, prob- cus ably by at least 2p for a 16-

A tougher attitude by brewers about loss-leading sales by supermarkets over Christmas mainly of spirits sold wholesale brewers is a factor behind the likely rise in

But there is also growing speculation that some brewers clubs before the next Budget. This is because a disproportion-Court ruling on the ratio of excise duty between beer and

pint could rise by at least 7p.
But a mixture of beer duty
increase and wine duty decrease, probably spacing the



Bomb horse

The police horse, now aged 12, suffered serious injuries in

escape, however, and has exchanged the streets of Londen for the country.
In the summer of 1982 Echo and his rider, Police Constable

rules may put Britain in court By Pat Healy Race Relations Correspondent

The Government is likely to European Commission on allegations that its new rules on husbands and fiances living in Britain are still illegal.

The Manpower Services Commission is to spend about £260,000 on marriage guidance for the unemployed, and potential counsellors are to be sought among the jobless.

The move comes after an approach from the Marriage Guidance Council which has been inundated with pleas for

This is expected to revive the dispute within the Conservative Party which led to a government defeas on the arrangement defeas on the arrangement defeas ment defeat on the new rules, forced on it when the commission decided the previous immigration rules contravened the European Convention on Human Rights.

The new rules, which took effect in 1983, were approved only after the Home Secretary mollified right-wing opponents by promising tighter immigration laws if the new regulations brought a sudden influx. lations brought a sudden influx.

However, statistics released to Ms Clare Short, Labour MP for Birmingham. Ladywood. trend of male fiances and husbands from the Indian subcontinent being refused entry on the ground that their marriages are primarily intend-ed to gain immigration to

In the first quarter of the year, 20 husbands and 160 fiances from the sub-continent were refused entry. None of the husbands fell foul of the rule that immigration must be refused if the marriage's primary purpose was to obtain admission, but 90 of the fiances

In the third quarter the numbers had risen dramati-cally. Forty husbands and 230 fiances were refused, and of these 20 husbands and 190 fiances failed under that rule.

In his reply, Mr David Waddington, Minister of State at the Home Office, acknowledged the rising trend but attributed it to the backlog of applications associated with a change in practice allowing more decisions to be made in the originating country. Yester-Ridds day Ms Short was sceptical of

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budgets although additional special deals are subsequently put D could through.

from a Some rise in prices in deals with the big supermarkets has already been seen, according to some in the trade. The takehome sector has grown again too big this year and now accounts for probably 14 per cent of beer

Overall beer production in 1983 could still turn out to be marginally higher than the year before. By the end of October production was 0.4 per cent up on the same period of 1982. Then came the tough campaigns against drinking and driving which have had a reportedly patchy effect on the pub trade. it could have meant a boost in take-home sales as well as for pubs within walking distance of we been sizable communities.

byer the But if the anti-drinking

campaigns prove to have produced a big cutback in beer drinking overall the effect on beer production is more likely to be seen during January as those retailers, including pubs, markets left with heavy stocks cut back January on January ordering.

Immigration | New look at marriage guidance for jobless

By Our Labour Reporter

The move comes after an approach from the Marriage Guidance Council which has been inundated with pleas for help from people whose marriages are breaking up because of the strain of the strain of the strain. of the strain of unemployment.

The council had to deal with an extra 38,000 cases last year. It will use the money to

recruit voluntary workers, possibly older men and women, who will be trained by the council; and informal group therapy sessions will be set up in contrast to the more structured interviews usually offered.

The new approach will be pioneered in the West Mid-lands, and the commission said last night that another 12 projects were envisaged all over the country, costing about £20,000 each.

The TUC said last night:
"There is overwhelming evidence to suggest that mampley.

dence to suggest that unemployment places a considerable strain on most marriages."

Girl for Pamela Stephenson

Pamela Stephenson, the actress, gave birth to an 8lb 10oz girl on New Year's Eve. The baby, Daisy, was born in a London nursing home and her father, the comedian Billy Connolly, was close by.

Miss Stephenson and her baby were both said to be well and they are likely to stay at the nursing home for a week.

Attack by 'Boy George' double

Police in North Devon are hunting a man dressed as Boy George who attacked Mrs Sall Taylor on lifracombe quayside on new year's eve and stole a £700 gold bracelet.

A detective said: "The investigation is made more difficult because there were so many Boy George lookalikes around at the

Babies go home

Two of the sextuplets born to Mrs Janet Walton, of Liverpool. six weeks ago went home yesterday. The other four girls are due to be released from hospital in pairs within the next month.

New year vow

Mr Roy Tapping, aged 33, the stockman who carried his severed arm half a mile after a machine accident last June has resolved to get back to work. He can use his arm down to the

Shotgun search

Police divers yesterday searched a creek for the 12-bore shotgun used in the murder of a barmaid, Rosalind Richards. aged 18, and her lover. Rodnes Pellow, aged 32, last week in a caravan on the Lizan. peninsula, Cornwall.

Crib cash raid

Father Francis Isherwood last night condemned as "sick" thieves who attacked a crib at his Holy Cross Church in Eastleigh, Hampshire, and stole £100 of children's Christmas contributions given to help orphans.

Opposing sides in Ulster condemn peace message

From Our Correspondent, Belfast

A "world day of peace" Fein the bishop said that voters message from a leading Roman could not support any political visional Sinn Fein yesterday.

Down and Connor, said that 15 years of political violence had done nothing but drive the nationalist and unionist communities in Northern Ireland further apart and its cessation would give the opportunity for moderate opinion to exert itself. Some form of dual arrange-

ment between the Protestant and Roman Catholic communities was inevitable and the British Government would have to address itself to this. He added that the campaign of violence being waged in the state (Northern Ireland) was set

name of Irish republicanism up. Did Dr Daly now dissociate was "morally evil" and any support given to it by members of the Roman Catholic community was "gravely sinful."

In a clear reference to Sinn wiolence.

Catholic bishop, calling for an arrangement between the Catholic and Protestant communi-ties in Northern Ireland, was being interpreted as direct condemned by both the Demo-cratic Unionists and Pro-The Rev William Beattie, visional Sinn Fein yesterday.

Dr Cahal Daly, the Bishop of

Democratic Unionists, replied

that there would never be political reconciliation as long as Rome supported and harboured terrorists. Dr Daly should set an

example by excommunicating known Roman Catholic terrorists and handing them over to the police.
The Provisional Sinn Fein

press officer. Mr Danny Morrison, recalled that Ireland's catholic bishops had condemned partition as immoral at the time when the six counties was the British presence in Northern Ireland which was immoral and the source of

Drugs link in killings

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

been found by police.

Yesterday officers from the cannabis, and was on parole.

Scotland Yard detectives Yard's murder squad were investigating the murder fo two checking the men's connexions cannabis traffickers are examining the possibility they were victims of a vendetta in the killings are likely to be linked to illicit drug world or died at the a trade increasingly infiltrated

hands of business partners.

The men were found shot dead in a central London flat John Ernest Taylor, aged 48, last weekend, and one or both and Mr Robert Edward Cook, a may have known the murdered. neighbour, aged 34. Mr Taylor No sign of forced entry to the was sentenced to four year's flat at Gray's Inn Buildings in imprisonment at the Central Rosebery Avenue, Holborn, has importing and trafficking in

Satellite insurance goes to UK By Bill Johnstone **Technology Correspondent**

British insurance brokers are making plans to provide much of the cover needed to protect the \$10.000m (£7,000m) investment in satellites and space crafts due for launching this year The British dealings will be conducted through Lloyd's of

The number of satellites launched has grown dramati-cally in the last few years. creating a new industry. The growth is expected to reach about \$14,500m (£9,900m) in satellite value in three years

This year the United States will launch about twelve satellites on the space shuttle. The Europeans are due to put into orbit three telecommunication satellites that will transform continental communication.
Two belong to the Frenchnamed Telecom 1, and the other, a European Space Agency project, is the second of the ECS (European Communication

Satellite) series.

The first ECS satellite was launched in June last year on the European space rocket Ariane. One channel each has been given to Belgium, France, Italy, the Netherlands and Switzerland, and two each to West Germany and Britain.

The Japanese are due to launch their direct broadcasting satellite this year. It is expected to have about four channels, two operated by NHK, the national broadcasting corporation of Japan.

The cover expected to be offered by insurers on both sides of the Atlantic would include replacement cost of the satellite and the cost of a relaunch. It would be broken down into pre-launch insurance (while the satellite is being manufactured). launch and

only 73 proved positive. Russia rejects complaint over low-price cruises

He said: "I have received a number of complaints from MPs who feel we are moving who took breath tests on

Accusations by P & O's cruise director Dr Rodney Leach, were "totally unfounded", Mr Vladislay Petukhov, chairman of the Soviet Union's passenger shipping organization, Morpasf-lot, said in a statement to The Times.

to expand their operations or to attract more passengers during the Falklands war. Mr Petukhov said, nor had they since "dumped" passenger tonnage at artificially low prices, as claimed by Cunard and P & O.

company, which operates Soviet cruise ships out of Britain, had announced its 1982 programme nine months before the Falklands war started, and had conformed strictly to its

cruise market could put British lines out of business. Soviet ships certainly charge lower prices. Mr Petukhov agreed. But this was not because of unfair competition

By Michael Baily, Transport Editor

The London-based CTC

programme. Cunard and P & O claimed last month that the Soviet Union's expansion in the UK

The Soviet Union has angrily because the Soviet ships were denied that it had profited from smaller and of lower standard.

the Falklands war by building up its share of the UK cruise market while the Canberra, Uganda, and QE2 were on the Canberra of the Uk. Cruise star and de luxe, while Soviet vessels make no such claims and are meant, chiefly, for people with lower incomes," Mr Petukhov said.

Contrary to British shipowners' assertions, Soviet owners had met the request to limit their operations on the British cruise market, Mr Soviet ships made no attempt Petukhov said. In 1984 they

would do 28 per cent less business than in 1983. Dr Leach commented: "The senior British manager in CTC
was quoted at the time of the
Falklands war as saying that
people disappointed over QE2 and Canberra cruises would not be disappointed with Russian

"Mr Petukhov's explanation of low prices is false economics. Small ships do not enjoy economies of scale and typically give rise to higher prices. CTC offer prices below what any Western owner could match with the oldest ships and

cheapest crews. "This must be by artificially low tariffs decided on by the eed. But this was not because Soviet state, presumably to earn unfair competition but foreign currency."

Inquiry into steel deaths

An inquiry has been launched into the accident in which two men died and three others were injured at the British Steel Corporation works in Scun-thorpe, Humberside, on Sun-

day.
Two steelworkers died when they were apparently overcome by gas in an empty reserve water tank at the Concast plant. Two other steelmen and a fireman were injured as they

tried to help. positioning of the craft in orbit, failure in orbit and collision

The men who died were named yesterday as Mr Edward The men who died were

Peace, of Ashby Road, and Mr Richard Simpson, of Avon Road, both of Scunthorpe. The police said that the tragedy occurred when Mr Peace went into the empty tank, which is 160ft above ground.

Mr Simpson died when he went to the rescue. Mr Geoffrey Oughtibridge, of Brigg, and Mr Malik Own, of Scunthorpe, were overcome as they attempted to help their colleagues. They were said to be "very poorly" in hospital.

Beer prices in the growing cha take-home sector catered for mainly by the supermarkets are like

packaged beer prices. will be raising draught beer prices for public houses and ate increase in beer excise duties is threatened as Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, considers how to meet a European

wine. If the ratio were adjusted in a single move with beer carrying the entire burden the price of a



Second-time survivor: Echo

Echo, the horse that survived an IRA bomb blast, has now beaten the slaughterman's ballet.

the Hyde Park bombing and looked likely to face the humane killer when the police decided he was too nervous to go back on the beat. Echo has had a second lucky

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San Salvador (NYT) - The the largest number in a single destruction of El Salvador's battle during the four-year-old largest and most important civil war. El Paraiso was the bridge on Sunday by left-wing fourth largest army base in the guerrillas marks the beginning country.

of a new offensive, according to Radio V nos, the rebel rillas were able to mass in both

radio station, yesterday.

The radio called the offensive "All of the people against imperialist intervention until victory. It said the offensive demonstrate superior levels of unified coordination between all of our forces houghout the country."

The rebel broadcast did not report casualties, saying only that numerous soldiers had been wounded or killed in the

fighting. During the last week, government troops have suffered heavy casualties against left wing forces. Despite the announcement of the new

government offensive, no battles have been actually started by Salvadorean soldiers.

Residents of Chalatenango near the army base in El Paraiso that was overrun on Friday, id that the army was burying

El Paraiso and near the Cuscatlan bridge without the knowledge of government government

Earlier last week, the Defence Ministry announced the beginning of new operations in both regions, and troops were purportedly patrolling before the

On Saturday, reporters in Tejutla, a town five miles north of El Paraiso, said that more than 1,000 government groups were stationed less than 20 minutes away,

unutes away.

Despite knowkledge that

"las were in Tejutla, Guerrillas were in Tejutla, lounging in the central square and processing prisoners they had taken in El Paraiso, the Government troops did not have any plans to advance on

The loss of the quarter-mile long bridge was a serious setback for the economy of El Salvador, the Defence Ministry admitted, but motorists could still cross the river using a nearby dam. It was the last suspension bridge open to motorists travelling to the eastern part of the country.

Employees of the nearby hydro-electric plant said that the bridge plunged into the Rio Lempa at around 2.30 am. The hydroelectric plant nearby was also slightly damaged.

The US ambassador, Mr Thomas Pickering declined to is dead in mass graves, dug by the buildozers. They estimated comment, saying only that he and his advisers were studying the extent of the damage.



A bridge too far: Psof the Cuscatlan Bridge, the most important in El Salvador, lying in the rive for being dynamited by left-wing guerrillas on Sunday.

Guatemala. Salvador top rights abuse list

New York (AFP) - Guatemaa and El Salvador have been named the worst human rights violators in Latin America for the fourth consecutive year by the Council on Hemispheric Affairs, a private, liberal-leaning

body.

The Council said more than 10,000 "non-combatants" were killed in political violence in the two Central American states last year. The majority died at the hands of security forces and right wing "death squads", the council's eighth annual report

in El Salvador, the council reported at least 4,056 political civilian assassinations from January to November 1983, it estimated the figure might have reached 6,000 by the year's end.

The Army and Government were held largely responsible for the deaths of 4,000 to 5,000 people in 1983 in Guatemala, but death squads and guerrillas also had bloody hands,

Human rights were worsen-ing in Honduras where about 100 political assassinations were carried out last year. The council said "A clampdown on domestic dissent towards the Government's increasingly militaristic policies has plunged Honduras from its former rating as being one of the more respectable of Latin American

Governments' The council also accused the Honduran Government of channelling scarce domestic resources towards preparation for war with Nicaragna."

South Africa and its neighbours: Part 2

The loaded rifle in the bush

In the second of three support, though in several articles. Michael Hornsby, cases their effect, eness would Southern Africa Correspondent, examines the three central problems which, singly or in combination, beset nearly all South Africa's neighbours: their geographic convenience as African anctuaries for National Congress (ANC) guerrillas, their economic depen-dence on South Africa, and their internal instability.

Only Angola, so far as is known, actually contains military training camps for members of the ANC, which went underground and resorted to armed struggle after being outlawed by South Africa, in the early 1960s. But most countries in the region offer the ANC inflitration routes or shelter from South African

persuit. Angola is unique in providing a home not only for the ANC but also for guerrilles of the South West Africa People's Organization (Swapo) fighting for the independence of Nami-bia (South West Africa), the former German colony still occupied by South Africa, In response, a broad swathe of Southern Angola has been virtually annexed by the South

African Army,
But South Africa has also
mounted periodic ground and
air attacks on alleged ANC
targets in both Lesotho and Mozambique in which wholly innocent civilians have been killed. One of these raids, on Maputo, the capital of Mozambique, last May, was in direct retaliation for the ANC's Pretoria car bomb which killed 19 people and injured more than 200.

Other countries in the region have been spared direct mili-tary assault, but South African refugees and ANC exiles in Botswana, Zimbabwe and Swaziland, as well as Mozambique, have been abducted or assassinated in recent years, presumably by South African

South Africa is also presumed, on strong circumstan-tial evidence, to be giving support, mainly in the form of support, mainly in the form or finance, arms, training and logistical back-up, to the motley collection of insurgents plagning the governments of its neighbours. These offer Pretoris an invaluable weapon in countering regional support for the ANC.

They include the Unita movement of Dr Jones Savim-bi, which has operated from a bi, which has operated from a stronghold in south-eastern Angola since before that country's independence; the Mozambique National Resistance (MNR); the Matabeleland rebels in Zimbabwe and the shadowy Lesotho Liberation Army (LLA).

Most of these rebellions

Most of these and it by no means follows, as the embattled governments claim, that the rebels would collapse without South African

cases their effect eness would be seriously impaired. The MNR, in particular, seems to be very much the creature of

The South Africans hardly batted an eyelid last April, when Mr Orlando Cristina. MNR's secretary-general, and a former Portuguese secret agent, was murdered in his bed in what was blandly described as a "farm", but was probably an MNR training camp.

The guerrilla activity severehampers attempts by black states to reduce their economic dependence ou South Africa particularly in the transport field. South Africa possesses 73 per cent of the southern African



Dr Savimbi: Unita leader in Pretoria's pocket.

Botswana, Lethsoto Swaziland, the so-called BLS states, have always been heavily reliant on the South African transport system. But the guerrilla disruption of road and rail links serving ports in Angola and Mozambique means that most of Zimbabwe's and much of Malawi's foreign trade, as well as the copper exports of Zaire and Zambia

now pass through South Africa.
Between 70 and 75 per cent
of Zimbabwe's trade, for example, is currently reckoned to be handled by South Africa. rather than the closer Mozambican ports.

Even without the guerrilla factor, South Africa's dominance would be inescapable. It accounts for nearly 80 per cent of the region's total gross national product, and per capita gap is five times the regional average. It is also often a supplier of

grain - only Zimbabwe and Malawi among the black states can normally expect to feed themselves - and employment. Last year, 108,000 Basuto (from Lesotho), 43,000 Mozambicans, 17,000 Bats-wana and 14,250 Malawians worked in South Africa's gold

and coal mines. The BLS states offer an extreme example of dependence, forming a customs union with South Africa, and in the case of Lesotho and Swaziland no black state can ignore the white-ruled economic giant to the south.

Country	Population	Area (Sq miles)	Per capi <u>ta</u> GNP (US dollars)	Life expectancy at birth
Angola Botswane Lesotho Malawi Mozambique Swaziland Transania Zambia Zimbabwe South Africa	7,800,000 900,000 1,400,000 6,200,000 12,500,000 19,100,000 5,800,000 7,200,000 29,500,000	483,333 232,558 11,627 45,736 310,853 6,589 366,279 291,860 151,550 473,255	440 (1979) 1,010 540 200 250 (1979) 760 280 600 870 2,770	42 57 52 44 47 54 52 51 55 63

World Bank. Figures refer to 1981 except where indicated in brackets.

Five South Africans die in Angola

From Ray Kennedy Johannesburg

Five more South African soldiers have been killed in southern Angola in the drive against guerillas of the South West African People's Grgani-zation (Swapo) launched nearly A statement by Defence

Headquarters in Pretoria yesterday identified them as a second lieutenant and four riflemen but gave no details. This brings the death toll so far to 14 - eight whites and five blacks - with one black soldier missing and presumed captured. No figures of wounded have been released.

Major General George Meiring officer commanding the South-West Africa Territory Force claimed in Windhock that 56 Swapo guerillas were known to have been killed so

Last week General Constand Viljoen, chief of the South African Defence Force said that between 800 and 1,000 guer-rillas were attempting to infil-trate northern Namibia from courthern Angola under the southern Angola under the cover of Angolan government forces.

Zimbabwe MP falls to death

From Stephen Taylor Harare

A Zimbabwean MP of Mr Ian Smith's white Republican Front party fell about 60ft to his death from a waterfall on New Year's

Mr Donald Goddard, aged 33, one of the most controversial members of the House of Assembly, was picnicking with friends near Mr Smith's cattle ranch at Zvishavane when he slipped on a rock at the edge of the Lundi Falls. Friends, including two doctors, who reached him a minute later found him dead in a pool at the bottom of the falls.

Mr Goddard was a major in the Selous Scouts, a crack unit of the Rhodesian security forces which achieved notoriety in the last years of the guerrilla war and which was disbanded at independence.

Mr Smith said yesterday he was deeply saddened at the loss. "He was certainly a controversial character but he had compensating qualities, like great courage and integrity. He was developing into a very able debater.

Indians camp on ice

Delhi, (AP)

The head of the expeditio Dr H. K. Gupta, reported by telephone at the weekend that work was on schedule thanks to good weather - temperatures of about 32 degrees Fahrenheit and little ice drift, The expedition, which includes two

Dr Gupta was speaking from the chartered Finnish icebreak-er Finn Polaris, which made the 24-day journey from India. The expedition's temporary camp is about 16 miles from

In September, India bacame consultative member of the Antarctic Treaty, which bans nuclear explosions in Antarctica and suspends until 1991 the claims, some of them overlapping, that many countries have Antarctic territory.

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Andropov reforms will include productivity payments for workers

"Limited industrial experiments" designed to reform the system came into force yesterday as part of President Andropov's drive for efficiency and higher productivity.

The experiments, first announced last July, have run into criticism from both conserva-

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nounced last July, have run into criticism from both conservatives and liberals. They are confined to five industrial ministries and are decimal to

Details released yesterday showed that the reforms, to be applied in heavy machinery factories and electro-technical all deliveries would receive an horizontal more lar-teaching change, with the emphasized that Minister, Mr Kosygin, introduced decentralization measures subsequently abandoned as unworkable.

Andropov's future, page 10

Andropov unagers to tap the trendous reserves we have growth in labour productivity. He also attacked the routing that the reforms rescribe the "half measures" Mr Andropov attacked as inadequate in a speech last summer. Observers also suggest that Mr Andropov, who last week missed key sessions of the central committee and Supreme Soviet, may not be in a position to see the experiments through and use them as the basis more far-reaching elements through and use them as the basis more far-reaching elements through and use them as the basis more far-reaching elements through and use them as the basis more far-reaching elements through and use them as the basis more far-reaching elements through and use them as the basis more far-reaching elements through and to use profits and saved the routin payment of undeserved bonuse and called for all-round man agement reform. Mr Andropov said the results of the industrial experiments would "serve as a basis for the newspaper Society and the results of the industrial experiments would "serve as a basis for the conomy as a whole" widen "widen " widen "

Mr Kulik emphasized that Minister, Mr Kosygin, introin 1965, when the then Prime



Death at dawn: Police and pedestrians clustering in were machine-gunned

Sherry f

Hunger stalks the

There are a lot of angry slogans daubed these days on the white-washed walls of this pretty Andalusian sherry town. But none appear on the sherry and brandy bodegas which belonged to Señor José Ruiz Mateos, founder of the Rumasa business empire, expropriation of which by the Government was recently upheld by Spain's constitutional court.

One of the most caustic slogans reads: "The holiday season for the politicians; for those out of work, bunger."

The famous vineyards that produce the sherry are in an area where mechanized agriculture has cost the jobs of thousands of day-labourers. who rely on erratically paid unemployment benefits to

lar with many people including Senor Pedro Pa the Mayor and a lawy would say he was a usefu to this town and acted Jerezano. It was the crust aristocratic wine who never pardoned his success and who enjoye terrible fall.

Senor Pacheco is Andalusian Socialist Par maverick formation triumphed locally over Madrid-based Socialist of Senor Felipe Gonzále Prime Minister.

The mayor was referring the big families with far names such as Domeco González Byass, who dominate the town socially economically.

Though Senor Ruiz ME initially built his empire sherry, the dozen or so Rus



at the spot where two policemen

Andalusia

expanding in the 1970s, long after the first warning signs of 2 world-wide economic crisis had appeared.

Señor José Joaquin Isasa president of Domecq. admits they might be interested in acquiring something out of the wreckage of the Rumasa empire in Jerez or in the Rioja wine region of northern Spain.

But, he says, the government in Madrid must first make the Rumasa bodegas financially shipshape before they can be offered to private buyers.

The communist-run workers' commissions, the strongest union of Jerez bodega workers. oppose outright any return of the Rumasa companies to the private sector. But their biggest fear is for the 1.200 Rumasa employees, many of whose jobs. in pure economic terms,

Daughter's flight upsets minister

From Neil Kelly Bangkok

The 17-year-old daughter of one of the most powerful men in Laos has presented awkward political and personal problems to her own country and to the Thai Government Kamkeo Keobounphan, whose father, Mr Sisavat Keobounphan, is Interior Minister has fled into northern Thailand with her boyfriend.

Her father has asked the Thais to send her home but, according to Thai officials, she has refused to go, claiming she is a political refugee.

In a direct challenge to her father, who is in charge of national security, law and order and the plice, the girl had told Thai officials that Laos "totally lacks freedom", that she is not able to travel about and not free to contact friends.

She also says she and Thai Pila, a 22-year-old teacher, will never be separated and what to

settle in the United States.
The Thai Government fears the incident may jeopardize its improving relations with Laos. now warmer than they have been since the Communist victory in 1975.

Thailand recently made a goodwill gift of rice to Laos and new trade barter deals are under consideration. Increased contacts between the two nations will be discussed when Mr Sisavat comes to Bangkok later this month for an official visit arranged some time ago.

A Thai Foreign Ministry official said Thailand would not hinder attempts by Mr Sisavat to persuade his daughter to return home. Thailand hoped they could reach an understand-ing the official said, as the problem seemed to be personal rather than political.

However, officials in the north say Kamkeo appears determined not to go home.



Peter Donohoe: 11 encores

Russiatakes Briton to its heart

From Our Own Correspondent

Peter Donohoe, the British prize-winning pianist last night ended a series of concerts which has taken Russia by storm, with rapturous applause and repeated standing ovations. On Sunday night, he was called back for 11 encores after an extremely successful two-hour recital at the Tchaikovsky Hall

in Moscow. Donohoe, aged 30, has acquired superstar status in Russia since be came joint second in the Tchaikovsky piano competition in July, him to their bearts", one critic

1982 Tchaikovsky award was controversial since many members of the andience and some judges - felt strongly that Donoboe should have received the gold medal. Instead the first prize was withheld and he shared second prize with a Russian pianist.

Only two Britons, John Ogden and John Lill, bave ever won the Tchaikovsky competition. become well known on the

international concert circuit, said he was delighted at the ecstatic Russian reaction, but declined to say whether he thought it vindicated the view that be should have been awarded the gold medal. Donohoe gave concerts in Leningrad, Vilnins, Thilisl and

Moscow, performing Brahms, Beethoven, Prokofiev and Ravel. He has also performed Tchaikovsky and Rakhmaninov with the Geor-gian tenor, Pasta Buchuladze, who has been invited to sing in Aida at Covent Garden in

Tickets for the concerts have sold out, and are changing hands on the black market for

nationalists joined forces in the

Navarran regional parliament to drastically cut the annual

subsidy for the University of

the university, compared with an average of 268m pesctas (£1.2m) per year over the past

In the political deal, and over

the protests of right-wing

parties, the Basque Nationalist Party voted with the Spanish Socialist Workers Party to

reduce funding for elementary and secondary schools operated by the Roman Catholic church

or privately.
As their part of the bargain,

the Socialists voted with the

Basque nationalists to sharply

increase the budget for Ikasto-las, schools dedicated to the

icaching of the Basque lan-

Only 195m pesetas was

originally budgeted for the issued from the Econe Semin-lkustolas, but this sum was ary, founded by Mgr Lefebyre.

guage, history and culture.

France wants to reduce price of Soviet gas

the Siberian pipeline started to flow into France on New Year's Washington backed down in the

renegotiated this year.
The Siberian gas pipeline project caused a deep division in the Atlantic alliance in 1982 after President Reagan imposed sanctions against European firms exporting US-built technology to the Soviet Union in retaliation for the invasion of Afghanistan.

Bread riots

kill four

in Tunisia

had been violent incidents and public and private property had

in the city of Kasserine troops were on patrol yesterday in

jeeps and armoured personnel carriers and schools and Government offices had been

The riots, which were in the Kabili, El Hamma, Kasserine

and Gafsa areas, were provoked

Earlier, medical sources said gunfire killed three people and wounded 19 in riots in Kasse-

rine, 125 miles from here in the

depressed south-west of the country after sharp increases in the price of bread. The Interior Ministry statement did not link

Government officials said

there were also incidents in Douz and Kabili, on the edge of

The news agency said Presi-

dent Habib Bourguiba chaired a meeting yesterday morning attended by Mr Muhammad

Mzali, the Prime Minister, and the Ministers of Defence and

Government-controlled bread prices rose by 70 per cent

on Sunday and angry youths attacking a supermarket in Kasserine were quelled by

police using tear gas and small

arms, one source told Reuters

Local residents said the rioters burned shops, cars and a petrol station and attacked a National Guard office. The city

was described by diplomatic sources yesterday as tense but

Ikastolas have an enrolment of

6,500. The university has an enrolment of 9,500 students in

and the Basque nationalists -

proposed allotting 35m peseias for the creation of a state

• GENEVA: In a New Year Episcopal Manifesto to 500 Roman Catholic archbishops

and bishops world wide. Mgr Marcel Lefebvre, aged 78, the traditionalist Roman Catholic

archbishop, denounced "the unchecked spread of heresies in

a church that has become like

an occupied city" (Alan McGre-

gor writes).
"Perplexity is ever more

evident among all those who

desire to live according to faith and morality," he said, in criticizing the effects of Vatican reforms. "If we remain silent

about this we are like ac-

complices". The manifesto was

university in Navarra.

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the Sabara.

the Interior.

Subsidy for Opus Dei's

university slashed From Harry Debelius, Madrid

and Basque raised to 307m pesetas. the

regular courses.

Ministry said.

"jobless and idlers", the

Day, but French energy officials face of fierce and unanimous said yesterday the price of the Soviet fuel, linked to the price of a barrel of oil, may be renegotiated this year.

Solviet fuel, linked to the price of the deal on the ground that Russia could use Western Europe's energy dependence as a political

> flow, the main concern is over the price, which was negotiated before world oil prices dropped. A French spokesman said the price of oil was lower now than when the contract was signed.

Now the gas has started to

Sector Ruiz Mateos, who has been living in London since the expropriation, still seems popu-



Navarra, which is run by the powerful Roman Catholic orga-Even the right wing joined in the fiscal assault on the Opus Dei's centre of higher learning. A delegate for the Popular nization Opus Dei, according to reports reaching here yesterday. The regional parliament in A delegate for the Popular Alliance a party which opposed the deal between the Socialists Pamplona approved a subsidy of only 32m pesetas (£142,000) for the 1984 calandar year for

4.45 Madam: Checkmate. Dame Ninette de Valois rehearses the Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet in the Dance of the Pawns.

3.20 Film: Battling Butler. Classic Buster

Keaton comedy.

5.15 Years Ahead. Robert Dougall presents. the magazine programme with the older viewer in mind.

6.00 Bewitched. The return of the stunning sorceress with the bewitching nose.

and the month of the second

6.30 Country Crisis? series which examines s lems which lie beneath d image of the countryside

7.00 Channel 4 News

8.00 Brookside.

8.30 Take Six Cooks. mes, and a six-course me discuss their common int Prue Leith on hors d'oeur



9.00 The Far Pavilions. Ben Cross, Omar Sharif, Sir John Gielgud, Christopher Lee and Amy Irving all star in a lavish twelve million dollar film version of MM Kaye's romantic bestseller, set in the North-West Frontier, in the British Raj of the 1870's. Episodes two and three will be shown at the same time on Wednesday and Thursday.

11.00 Reggae Sunsplash. Live recordings from the 5th Annual Reggae Sunsplash, held at Montego Bay, Jamaica, in 1982.

KEEP YOUR EYE ON

Few tears for the corrula politicians who brought about their own downfall

By Kenneth Mackenzie

Nigerian lawyer said in London vesterday. And the general reaction from expatriate figures in favour of the governing party (24,000 became observers – is not one of outrage against the soldiers but one of targy disappointment about the ailure of the civilian policians. angry disappointment about the failure of the civilian poli-

A man who played a leading part in drawing up the consti-tution the military have now suspended would only say mildly that the coup was "most unfortunate, a setback". (He wished to remain anonymous. like most people interviewed, because of nervousness about the unpredictability of military men in power.)
The constitutional expert

claimed that there was little wrong with the document that he and others had spent so Constituent Assembly. The trouble had come with the people who administered the constitution.

For instance, the constitution had provided for a code of conduct for politicians, with a bureau to administer it which was meant to receive declarations of assets from all ministers, and for a tribunal to hear complaints and investigate instances of corruption.

The Shagari government failed to appoint members to the tribunal. No cases were heard. Only the President and Vice-President declared their assets. A party hack was appointed as chairman of the

There was similar inaction over the allegations of electoral malpractices in the August

An ardent nationalist at the helm

Washington (NYT) - Major-General Mohammed Buhari, who has assumed power in the aftermath of Saturday's military coup in Nigeria, is described by diplomats as an ardent nationalist who is tough, self-assured and somewhat

"If anyone was going to take things over, it would have been him", an American diblomat him", an American diplomat who knows him said. "He has a lot of drive and a lot of interest in doing something for his country".

The general who is 41, is described by diplomats here as moderate to slightly conservative politically, he is the seventh leader of Africa's most populous country since it gained independence from Britain in 1960. Like President Shehn Sha-

gari, whom he deposed, the general comes from the predominantly Muslim north of the country. A former Oil Minister in the military Government that ceded power to civilian leadership in 1979, General Buhari is expected to pay even greater attention to the oil sector, which is responsible for 90 per cent of the country's foreign income.

In a radio address, General Buhari sought to reassure the nation, still under a dawn-todusk curfew, that conditions would now improve.

"Every effort will be made to ensure that the difficult and degrading conditions under which we are living are ameliorated. We shall do our best to settle genuine payments to which the Government is committed," he stated.

Earlier this year, General Buhari commanded a Nigerian unit at Jos, in the north. A border dispute had erupted in the north-east, near Lake Chad, and there had been skirmishes with troops from Chad. The area is also a favourite of smugglers.

A Washington foreign aff-airs analyst who followed that campaign said that the general took a pretty tough line up there. "It was not a big operation but he closed the border for a while and kept things under very tight control. One could conclude that he is a staunch representative of the Nigerian military", the analyst said.

"Nobody will shed a tear for election. A lawyer pointed out were encouraged

up at Kaduna airport. Many soldiers would or belonged to people in or closely and it was impossible to believe that they represented would be included that they represented would be included the new that they represented would be included the new that they represented would be included the new that they represented would be included to the new that they represented would be included the new that they represented would be included to the new that they represented the new th that they represented wealth lar whether the mithonestly acquired.

Government ministers, whose salaries were known, were seen to be living on a totally different scale, with mansions and Rolls-Royces in London, for instance. British businessmen dealing

with Nigeria were hesitant to express any opinion about many months working at in the future prospects untill the personalities and policies of the new military administration become more clear. But they



General Murtala Mohammed: Scourge of

Journalists allow the freedom c

to criticise. This was in the face of difmilitary governor c. had a reporter flogged, bu is later forced to apologise . make restitution. The immediate . nomic

problems the milit regame will face are formida: Include well LBOWN, Act. 18 10 Nigerian exiles, a m crucial challenge will be we'er they can alter the base igerian materialism that hes and the It is accepted that it liceans

and civil servants and it as their first priority make money, not to serve public. .The most depress: statistic emerging recently that of the young graduate merging from Nigerian univenes and seeking to join the c service, most applied to the customs and excise departmer

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By far the largest number of

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British firms have £2,000m at stale

British companies have more than £2,000m directly at stake in Nigeria, representing at least 40 per cent of all foreign investment in the country.

The figure would have been eries, has interests in timber considerably higher but for a mill, a building supper busidecree four years ago, under a "Nigerianization" programme, which required the largest firms to make a two-stage divestment of 60 per cent of their shares. With the new year holiday coinciding with the coup, and

telephone and telex lines cut, all the British companies were with great caution A report yesterday out of touch with published in September by the their Nigerian-based managers.

The fact that Major-General
Mohammed Buhari – a petroleum minister in the military

Group, the body of businessmen which guides the British

Government on foreign trade government which handed over policy, listed five reasons why power in 1979 – has not ushered British investors' confidence guarantee against expropriations

Companies invested iŋ Nigeria have continued to make profits from still-surging local demand. Unilever, for instance, whose companies have a trad- Guarantee Department's overing history going back two seas investment insurance centuries, is understood to have scheme are for investments in made about £10m before tax in Nigeria: 35 out of 187. If all the third quarter of last year.

Through the United Africa would have to pay on 122m.

Company and Lever Brothers, it is in soap and margarine manufacture, textiles and motor assembly, printing and packaging and retains a stake in the Kingsway Department Stores. Although its expatriate staff has been cut to 40 of the 1,500 managers, like all other major foreign investors, it has kept mahagement control of its 40 per cent-owned companies.

would have to pay on 22 m.

Of more immediae importance, however, are the several hundred million pounds worth of trade debts that are still outstanding from Nigeria. Having had talks with Nigerian officials in December about a possible rescheduling of refinancing of these debts, ECGD is engaged on an exercise to discover exactly how much is owed to major exponers. Company and Lever Brothers,

How country learnt of the military takeover

The coup led by Major-General Mohammed Buhari was announced by Brigadier Saleh Abacha, a little-known officer. His words on Lagos officer. His words on Saturday,

"You are all living witnesses to the grave economic predicament and uncertainty which an inept and corrupt leadership has imposed on our beloved nation for the past four years.

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"I am referring to the harsh, intolerable conditions under which we are now living. Our economy has been hopelessly mismanaged. We have become a debtor and a beggar nation."

The radio later broadcast a process and representative institutions including the office of the President, state governors, special advisors, special advisors, special assistants, assembly and the houses of political parties."

Opec awaits decision on membership

Confirmation that Nigeria will remain a member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) is being eagerly awaited by finan-cial markets, the North Sea oil industry and by Opec itself.

The country's new leader has already said that Nigeria will continue to be a member and as a former Minister of Petroleum and leader of Nigeria's del-egation to Opec meetings in the late 1970s he will be aware of the effect that a change in Nigeria's oil policy could have on an aiready fragile Opec price and production agreement.

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

and on sterling which is adversely affected by a cut in the dollar-denominated price of North Sea production.

Corporation—the state-run off trading company—to resist customer pressure for a price cut in the week before Christmas. The announcement by Nige-

ine announcement by Nigeria during the recent Opec ministerial meeting in Geneva that it would withdraw from membership if a new production quota was not granted sent the pound to a new local duction quota was not granted sent the pound to a new low. Although the withdrawal threat was dismissed within Opec as a Nigerian bargaining lever, it was taken more seriously by the North Sea industry.

and production agreement.

The effect of Nigeria's withdrawal from Opec and entry
into the world oil markets
without Opec restrictions would
put considerable downward
pressure on North Sea oil prices

Nigerian and North Sea
crude oils are directly comparable in quality and Nigeria has
already said that any price cut
met. This warning was in
important factor in the decision
of the British National Oil

Opec will also hope that Nigeria will stick to the present price and production quotas it endorsed on December 8 in

During the last year Nigeria regularly produced 200,000 barrels of oil a day above its Opec agreed quota of 1.3 million bpd (North Sea production is now running at 2.4 million bpd). This was explained by a feet or increase million bpd). This was explained by a need to increase foreign currency earnings, and by some of the more cynical Opec analysts as a way for the previous regime to earn cash to reward certain influential people who had helped in the election campaign. charya, raised the issue in the Upper House, the Raiya Sabha, election campaign. urging the Government to

Welcome in Damascus: Turmoil in Jerusalem



High spirits: The Rev Jesse Jackson and President Assad of Syria in Damascus yesterday.

Assad greets Jesse Jackson

Damascus (Reuter) - The Rev Jesse Jackson, the American black civil rights leader, met President Assad of Syria here yesterday and said afterwards he hoped that a decision on his attempt to free a captured US pilot was imminent.

He met President Assad for an hour and a half at a villa outside Damascus and later at his hotel said: "We are at a very sensitive stage of this appeal. We hope fully before this day is over we will have a final judgment. I intend to say nothing until the final decision has been made." Rail blasts

claimed by

Arab group

New Year's Eve bombings in

Written in Arabic and French

only our children weep for the

blood of the Baalbek martyrs" -

an apparent reference to a French air raid in November on

a pro-Iranian Shia Muslim

guerrilla base at the Lebanese

city of Baalbek. The note was

handed to journalists by an

The "Armed Arab Struggle

Organization" is a little known

group believed to have made

unidentified man.

the press here yesterday.

Tripoli, Lebanon (Reuter) -

the humanitarian level for the release

been "very good and warm" and that

A Syrian presidential spokesman said the Syrian leadership would discuss "with concern" the matter of freeing Lieutenant Robert Goodman, who was shot down on a bombing raid over Syrian-held areas of Lebanon on "Jackson asked President Assad on

of the pilot", the spokesman said. "President Assad gave a promise to Jackson that the Syrian authorities will discuss this matter with concern." Mr Jackson said the meeting had

appendix operation, though it is widely believed that he suffered a heart Mr Jackson, who is a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination this year, is the first American

the Syrian leader since then. Israel reopens Awali crossing Awali Bridge, Lebanon points into southern Lebanon, • HAIFA: Major

have been closed since last remained in serious condition

President Assad "appeared to be in

The Syrian leader has been recover-

ing since November, officially from an

to meet President Assad since his illness. Even President Reagan's

Middle East envoy, Mr Donald

Rumsfeld, has not had a meeting with

good health and in good spirits".

(Reuter) - Long lines of vehicles and crowds of pedestrians began moving slowly through this Israeli checkpoint into southern Lebanon yesterday as A message claiming that an "Armed Arab Struggle Organi-zation" was responsible for two Israeli troops reopened the crossing after a three-day shutdown.

At mid-morning, several southern France was issued to hours after the bridge reopened, about a thousand pedestrians and a queue of lorries nearly a and addressed to the French people, it said: "We will not let mile long were still waiting to

The bridge, and two other

Israeli Foreign Ministry. staff

yesterday went on strike for more pay - with inflation predicted soon to top 250 per They want parity status, at

least, with employees of the

occasional claims to responsi-Mossad intelligence agency. bility for previous bombings. Widespread unrest in the The bombs in France, which killed four people and injured more than 50, exploded within country's large public sector has already spread to the Defence and Interior Ministries, Labour Welfare, Transport and half an hour of each other, one nd Kevenua and another in a train which Department and the stateowned electricity supply indushad left Marseilles for Paris.

had also been reopened, there was no word on the third crossing point at Niba in the

State-run Beirut radio said a

second checkpoint at Bisri

Bridge about 10 miles inland

Chouf mountains. At the Awali bridge, pedestrians waited for up to an

Thursday evening.

hour to cross as Israeli soldiers and militiamen of their rightwing Lebanese ally, Major Saad Haddad, inspected the identity

Foreign Ministry officials strike

From Moshe Brilliant Tel Aviv try. About 40,000 workers are involved. The Foreign Ministry staff vesterday barred non-employees

from their Jerusalem office. Diplomatic mail was not accepted or distributed and no diplomatic passports were issued. A spokesman said the sanctons would be toughened principle to their demands. The public service action ately

vital to avert economic disaster. He acknowledged his proposed measures will increase unem-

Government is considering drastically cutting public spend-ing to reduce a £3.5bn balance of payments shortfall. Mr Cohen-Orgad, the Finance Minister, said the savings were

in an Israeli hospital here

ployment, and erode earnings. The Cabinet, which discussed the economic situation on Sunday, directed the minister to initiate negotiations immedi-

EEC and Efta lift final industrial trade barriers

Paris (NYT) - The last formal barriers to industrial free trade between 17 West European nations have disappeared.

The result is one free-trade. area covering the 10 members of the European Economic Cummunity and the seven members of the European Free Trade Association. The 17 countries together have a combined market of about 210 million consumers, which is about 25 per cent bigger than the United States domestic

market, The free trade area came into being on Sunday with the ending of an agreement first EEC. Most other industrial goods have moved freely between the EEC and the assocation members since 1980.

signed in 1972. That accord progressively eliminated all industrial trade barriers between the EEC and the seven Efta countries - Austria, Fin-land, Iceland, Norway, Portugal, Sweden and Switzerland. The tariffs and quotas that disappeared mainly affect trade in newsprint and other paper products. Now Scandinavian paper producers effectively have increstricted access to the

An immediate commercial problem concerns Canadian

Britain and West Germany wish to maintain sizable Candian newsprint imports to prevent the European market becoming dominated by Scandinavian producers. Negotiations will open soon between the 17 countries and

newsprint sales to Europe

Newsprint users, particularly in

Canada to fix a quota for Canadian newsprint imports. Officials say the fusing of Europe's two free-trade blocks creates other longer-term political and economy problems.

However, the two blocks remain distinct and with differ-

ent goals. The EEC remains committed to complete econ-omic integration as well as free trade. The association, which contains four neutral countries. is interested only in free trade and has no federalist ambitions. The EEC countries, mean-

while have made only disappointing progress so far towards a single European industrial market Although they have a joint

agricultural policy creating equitable competition between farmers and all member countries, this has become expensive to operate in Britain and West Germany, which pay most of its

Fatal start

to the new year

Bogotá (Reuter and AP) More than 150 people were killed and 200 injured in attacks, brawls and traffic accidents in Colombia during the new year festivities, police The

deaths included people killed in Medellin and 14 murdered in Bogotá on Sunday

In Castro, Brazil, four people in Castro, Brazil, four people were killed and 15 were missing after more than 60 people plunged 35ft into the Iapo River when a suspension cable and foundation post snapped on a

wooden tootbridge.
In Milan, a 21-year-old
policeman, Signor Giovanni
Bottaro, was in critical con-Bottaro, was in crincal con-dition after accidentally shoot-ing himself in the stomach as he drew out his pistol to fire into

Dissident tells of Riviera offer

Paris (Reuter) - The Polish authorities offered Mr Adam Michnik, the imprisoned dissi-dent, a Christmas "holiday" on the French Riviera to avoid having to bring him to trial, Mr Michnik said in a letter published here. He implied the proposed

holiday meant permanent emigration and said that he had because accepting have amounted to "moral suicide". His letter, addressed to the Polish Interior Minister, was printed in Liber-

in Warsaw, Mr Lech Walesa. the Solidarity leader, has sent a confidential letter to General Januzelski, the Polish leader. Mrs Danuta Walesa said. She declined to discuss its contents.

Army major to be flogged

Karachi (Reuter) – A retired Pakistani Army major will be publicly flogged here today for raping his sister-in-law at gun point in 1980.

Ghulam Sabir Shah, aged 40, is to receive 10 lashes at a sports stadium for raping Ghazala Qureshi, a 22-year-old teacher.

Wet Leningrad

Moscow (Reuter) -The worst floods for many years have badly damaged large areas of Leningrad as the River Neva rose 8st above normal.

Italian blast

Portici (Reuter) - A passer-by was killed when a prison employee's car was blown up here in what appeared to be the first guerrilla action of the year in Italy. The attack could be linked with a recent hunger strike by Red Brigades prisoners

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Knights fall out



Sir Edmund Hillary has criticized the New Zealand Prime Minister, Sir Robert Muldoon, for stopping a party of handiing Mount Cook, New Zeamund said the Prime Minister's

Plane crashes

Amman (Reuter). - A Jordanian military transport plane has crashed in the Qatraneh area near the Amman-Agaba highway, killing 13 people. including 10 soldiers.

Thai alert.

Bangkok (AFP) - Vietnamese forces and Khmer Rouge guerrillas have begun fighting again, along the Thai-Cambo-dian border. A Thai Army spokesman said troops were on alert to prevent the clashes spilling over into Thai territory.

Gulf ferry

Abu Dhabi (AFP) - Iran has inaugurated its first ferry service across the Gulf since the war with Iraq ended regular maritime traffic between Iran and its neighbours. A twiceweekly service from the Iranian port of Bandar Abbas to Sharjah in the United Arab Emirates will open next Tuesday.

Court scuffles

Cologne (Reuter). - Scuffles broke out between court officials and demonstrators as the trial opened of 10 Turks charged with the armed occu-pation of the Turkish Consulate-General here 14 months ago, when 70 people were held at gunpoint.

Hunger strike

Berlin (Reuter) - Two jailed East German women anti-nu-clear campaigners have gone on hunger strike to protest against the possibility of being expelled to the West, friends in East Berlin said. They are Baerbel Bohley. aged 39, and Ulrike Poppe, aged 30.

Polisario tally

Paris (Reuter) - The Polisario Front said its forces had killed 75 Moroccan soldiers and destroyed 23 vehicles in heavy fighting in the Western Sahara.
The front claims to have killed 329 Moroccans and destroyed 123 vehicles over the past four

Polish tragedy

Warsaw (AFP) - Fire swept through part of a sugar refinery near Opole, south-west Poland on New Year's Day killing four people who were sleeping.
I welve others were rescued.

Delhi ready to ban Granada TV documentary

From Our Own Correspondent

A documentary film made by Granada television will be banned in India unless some changes are made, according to Mr P. V. Narasimha Rao, the Foreign Minister. The film tells the story of Subhash Chandra Bose, known throughout India as Netaji - honoured leader.

In a letter to a West Bengal MP, the Foreigh Minister says the Government has decided to forbid the screening in India unless corrections are made to "some objectionable features and offending passages." The MP, Professor S. Batta-

German threat to tax motorway drivers

From Michael Binyon, Bonn

neighbouring countries fo not agree within the next six months to lower or drop tolls

months to lower or drop tolls on their motorways.

A spokesman for the Ministry of Transport said yesterday that the minister fully understood the anger of ordinary people and transport companies that they had to pay for the use of motorways in France and Italy whereas foreigners were able to used German roads free. able to used German roads free. The ministry said discussions were going on within the framework of the European Community to try to reduce this

West Germany is threatening companies on the Brenner to introduce charges on its. Stretch of motorway by a extensive motorway network if quarter. Bonn's aim was the neighbouring countries fo not abolition of all charges throughout Western Europe. Before Christmas, the deputy leader of the Christian Social

Union said he would put forward a private Bill to levy an autobahn tax of dm60 (£15) per motorist per year. German drivers would get a licence at the post office, and foreign drivers would have to buy it at

Such a charge would infuriate many people, however, and the Auto Club Europa in Stuttgart quickly condemned the idea yesterday. Foreign transport companies especially drive inequality. Germany had al-companies especially drive ready persuaded Austria to cut through Germany because it is tolls for German transport faster and cheaper

Smile of freedom: Ten-year-old Rocco Lupini, beaming happily in Reggio Calabria after being released by kidnappers from seven months of captivity. His mother, Signora Fausta Lupini, was freed in November.

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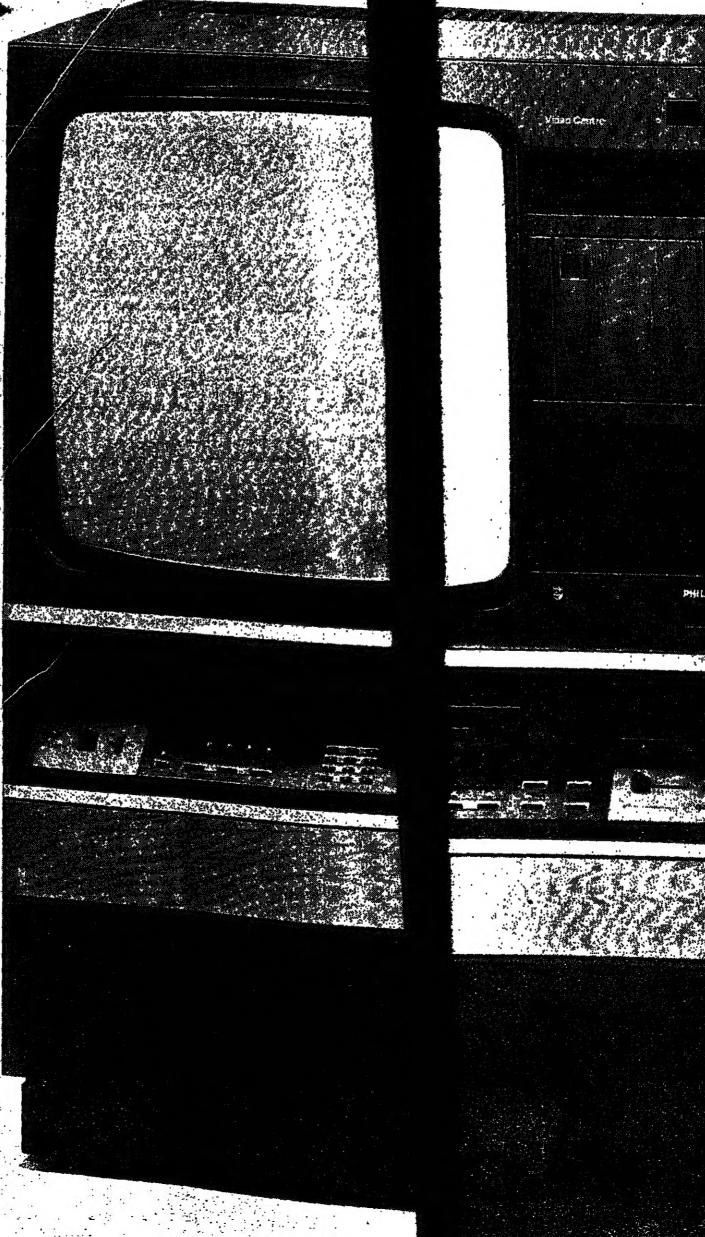
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SPECTRUM

As The Far Pavilions opens a new mini-series television tonight, Ivor Davis reports on the invention of a new weapon in the American ratings war. Below, Die Hewson looks at a rival British attempt to outgun Hollywood

Pulling in the crowds once nightly

the four successive nights topped the with a tailor-made product 45 million mark putting the mini-

When the 18 hour series Winds of War - at \$45m one of the costlicst films ever made - was aired in February last year, more than 50 million viewers a night followed the adventures of Captain Victor "Pug" Henry (played by Robert Mitchum) in the Second World War.

There was joy in the executive suites of NBC and ABC as the awesome figures in. For Winds of War. minute, and willing customers such as the Ford Motor Company, Miller Brewing and IBM enabled the network to rake in \$32m from commercial

Not surprisingly, then, mini-series have become regular fare on television screens here. A decade or more ago Hollywood would probably have turned Winds of War or Thornbirds into three-hour big screen epics. In fact there was serious talk of making Colleen McCullough's best-selling novel about Australia into a movie with Robert Redford and Jane Fonda in the roles eventually played on television by Richard Chamberlain and Rachel Ward.

The mini-series - usually made up for six 90-minute episodes played night millions for six nights running, that after night as a ratings blitzkreig in the United States, but week-by-week in Britain - is cheaper than its cinematic equivalent, using less costly television air we all spent the entire day calling directors and actors who specialize in each other to ask. 'do you think anyone the more humble demands of the small will watch it? Nobody really antici-

Audiences are large and more Margulies. predictable than those for a film. That "Everyone "Everyone" and more Margulies. means that there are no huge rewards bandwagon. As always happens, TV like the unexpectedly vast returns of never fails to try and kill the bird that cinema pictures like Star Wars - but lays the golden eggs. Shows that should

Hellywood
When The Thornbirds was aired on film, you can fill up to 12 hours (if you American TV. audiences on three of take in advertising time) of peak time

The networks have turned the miniseries among the top ten most watched series into a popular art form. They are TV programmes in United States preceded by expensive publicity campulate they paigns and as the series unfolds they gather, it is hoped, rolling audiences who become hooked.

The real pacemaker of the miniseries in the US was Roots, 1977, based on Alex Haley's best-selling book. It was followed by Centennial based on James Michener's novel, which didn't do as well as Roots. Holocaust, an account of what happened to the Jews in the Second World War, was a big figures came in. For Winds of War. hit, as were Roots, The Next Gener-ABC charged \$350,000 per advertising ation. The Winds of War and Thornbirds.

Thornbirds producer Stan Margulies, who along with documentary film-maker David Wolper produced Roots, credits British shows such as the Forsyte Saga and Upstairs, Downstairs as the forerunners of the mini-series.

Margulies, a former newspaper reporter and film publicist, points out that "the success of the mini-series is even more important to American TV because commercial TV is losing part of its audience to cable. And the series

Before Roots, audiences had their appetites whetted by classy British imports such as Brideshead Revisited. But it was the success of Roots. But it was the success of Roots, seen by convinced the networks that there were huge profits to be made.

"The night Roots first went on the pated what would happen," said

"Everyone tried to jump onto the





Arear Burton as Kunta Kinte in Roots and, right, Such Gupta as Shashila preparing for suttee in The Far Pavilions

in e this story, its a three-hour movie and we can blow it up a little and make six-and we've got a mini-series'."

Margulies said: "My criterion for a vitming series is one that has a istorical background with enough weep and substance to carry it for gveral nights." With prices soaring for commercials, is not surprising that each network

las a big series on the way for later this Wolper and Margulies have just completed a \$9m new series called Mystic Warriors, which will run for

ive hours and is based on the book

itely. Too many people said, 'God, I Margulies plans to go to Egypt to shoot years and three continents," and was the saga of Pharoah Akhenaten who was married to Nefertite, with a script by Carmen Culver who adapted The Thornbirds for TV.

Another project, One Ten Shanghai Road is set in China during the Man revolution and will run for six hours. American viewers will also get the chance to choose from biblical, racy and historical series in the months to come. AD has been shooting in the

Middle East for more than a year while George Washington offers a look at Jacqueline Smith, Patty Duke, Richard 186 speaking parts.

shot in Kenya, London, Nice and New

The First Olympics - in this Olympic year - features Angela Lansbury and David Ogden Stiers, late of M*A*S*H, Celebrity is taken from Tommy Thompson's novel.

"A successful mini-series," Margulies says, "should take viewers to places they wish they could go themselves, and bring the exotic into the living room. That as always one of the great attractions of the movies. early America. It stars Barry Bostnick, They tried to do it with Princess Daisy (based on the Judith Krantz best-seller) Kiley and Robert Stack, and includes but it didn't work because they spent most of the money on the sets and the Shirley Conran's novel Lace will be locations. It looked beautiful. But the a mini-series as will Robert Louis first requirement is that the characters Stevenson's Master of Ballantrae with and personal stories be magnetic and Michael York. Master of the Game, fascinating. Audiences don't want with Dyan Cannon, Ian Charleson and travelogues or home movies - they're

then there are no financial disasters never have become mini-series were described as an Indian Roots. It has a with Dyan Cannon, Ian Charleson and navelogues of never have become mini-series were described as an Indian Roots. It has a with Dyan Cannon, Ian Charleson and navelogues of never have become mini-series were described as an Indian Roots. It has a with Dyan Cannon, Ian Charleson and navelogues of never have become mini-series were described as an Indian Roots. It has a with Dyan Cannon, Ian Charleson and navelogues of never have become mini-series were described as an Indian Roots. It has a with Dyan Cannon, Ian Charleson and navelogues of never have become mini-series were described as an Indian Roots. It has a with Dyan Cannon, Ian Charleson and navelogues of never have become mini-series were described as an Indian Roots. It has a with Dyan Cannon, Ian Charleson and navelogues of never have become mini-series were described as an Indian Roots. It has a with Dyan Cannon, Ian Charleson and navelogues of never have become mini-series were described as an Indian Roots. Big names, historical settings and transatlantic appeal

Britain's latest mini-series. The Far government unmoved by past tra- this is the most expensive film we have the shape of television drama for the arrived. future. The British have dabbled with on Paul Scott's Raj Quartet. But The settings, and transatlantic appeal. Far Pavilions, from M. M. Kaye's book razzamatazz, pure and simple.

When it makes its American debut on Home Box Office in the spring, it role of Anjuli, an Indian princess, goes will be the first British-made mini- to Amy Irving, a familiar star in series to have penetrated the lucrative America and one-time girlfriend of Goldcrest, it will probably mean a heavy Indian makeup looks like a small profit for the first time since it Mary Quant cast-off from 1968, bung have failed to materialize. took the plunge into large scale heavily on financial considerations. production. And for anyone who The result may jar on British eyes, but thought that television drama could the Americans are unconcerned. Jane survive unscathed when the bonds of Deknatel. HBO's vice-president, is broadcasting dogma are shattered by ecstatic about The Far Pavilions. It is

pretensions and relying on Hollywood we can't get a return. We have to work for the mass market."

Pavilions, begins a three-night run on ditions of Reithian ideas, it contains an bought we are sure this is the kind of Channel 4 tonight and could well set ominous message: the formula has film our viewers want to see", she says.

Goldcrest's discovery that transat-That formula, in the frank words of lantic pop drama is the mother-lode of the genre before; Central TV made Mike Wooller, Goldcrest's managing television means that the company Kennedy, and Granada is about to director of television, consists of big itself looks nothing like a heavyweight deliver The Jewel in The Crown, based stars, glamorous, preferable historical as it did two years ago when it first announced its intention to become "We would find it hard to sell The Britain's largest television programme of Victorian India, goes much further Jewell In The Crown in America", says company independent of the BBC and than these in casting aside literary Wooller. "If we can't sell in America. ITV. Its work for Channel 4 has produced one popular success, The Wine Programme, but that is likely to So, in The Far Pavilions, the leading come to an end. Channel 4 wants the company to produce another series, but, according to Wooller, the effort United States cable network. For its Steven Spielberg. The casting which is from a British showing is low on the maker, the independent company somewhat bizarre, since Miss Irving in understanding that Goldcrest could Goldcrest it will probably mean a beauty Indian makers. make a profit from sales abroad. They

"Jancis and the witty script make the programme for Channel 4 but militate against it selling in America, where no one knows her, says the twin drive of technology and a going to be a massive hit. Although where no one where no one Woolker with a shrog. "I think it highly we will do another series."

Joidcrest's presuge par artists like Claire Bloom and Ben Kingsley, are completed and will be seen on Channel 4, but foreign buyers have found the project too upmarket for their tastes.

emphasis is going to move into the drama mini-series area and made for in product. television movies for HBO. It doesn't making good upmarket material as

well." At present, that means that, in another expensive, glamorous and pop addition to looking at mini-series on a mini-series, Thornbirds, in January in At present, that means that, in Forsyth's The Devil's Alternative, andience it lost in the autumn. Should Goldcrest is also thinking about that and The Far Pavillions gain large producing a version of Waugh's Scoop. audiences, and The Jewel In The But documentaries and serious drama are going to be a small part of its operations, and it has shelved for good any ideas it had about starting a 24hour news service.

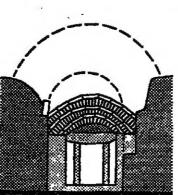
discovery of where its future lies in drama?

50 Shakespeare sonnets has ground to ones. Britain has only recently woken a halt. Some 15 of the sonnets, using up to the fact that, through cable. satellite, home video and the arrival of Channel 4, a vast explosion in the production of television material (though, not necessarily, its consumption) is now taking place. It seemed There is no doubt at all that my logical to believe that a proliferation of media would lead to greater diversity

What is happening in television disappoint me as long as we can go on drama would seem to shatter this myth. The present obsession with ratings has led the BBC to schedule Monte Carlo casino and Frederick the hope of winning back some of the Crown lower ratings, will that make Granada's more literary product a failure? And if it does, will not Granada, when it has recovered from the calumny, be tempted to turn to the The lessons of Goldcrest's rapid formula for its next venture into

mental buildings, objects of dom- motives, however, of the lone estic or industrial life, and the tombs intellectual who dedicated a fossil of it governors, buried with artefacts sea-urchin, found in the desert, in a of a quality surprising in such a temple of the sun god, remain provincial place. Especially remark-obscure. The urchin is now in the able was the use of the brick vault in Egyptian Museum, Turin). But the architecture, and the discovery of British Museum team excavating at Egyptian archives on clay tablets, a Hermopolis in Middle Egypt have practice normally reserved for found a Roman processional way benighted peoples such as Babylo- upon which ancient plinths and nians and Mycenaean Greeks. Statue bases, by that it maintened 15
Perhaps la vie de province did not centuries old, had been carefully stretch to sheets of papyrus for the Balzacs of four thousand years ago?

BM boys need not have gone to



Guide arches at Balat. Dotted

Urchin temple

Egypt to find Museum Street, but what they are really doing is rescuing an ancient city

Dead letters

The Egypt Exploration Society continues its work at Qasr Ibrim, a fortified rock in the Nile some 35 miles north of the Sudanese frontier. It was gairisoned by the Pharohs, and became partof the southern boundary of the Roman empire. Later it became Nubian bishopric, and was occupied by pipe-smoking mercenaries from Bosnia until AD 1879. It alone has survived the flooding of Lake Nasser. Finds include temples, a podium, a vasilica, the strategic deterrent of a Roman catapult, two of the missing poems of the Roman governor-poet letters from two ladies asking for oracles, exercises in Meroitic (an ancient Sudanese language, readable but not underdiplomatic corespondence from a Nubian princeling in Evelyn Waugh type Greek, textiles, Bos-nian jottings, and a dead bishop with his letters testimonial. They could be in for some long seasons.

moreover... Miles Kington

Having the last

Christmas would not be Christmas without the BBC managing to trip over its own feet at least once. Last year they managed it by repeating a vintage Maigret episode in which Maigret was not even involved. This year they succumbed to a common BBC ailment; an excess of good taste.

Alan Melville, the broadcaster, died last week. His death, by a curious coincidence, occurred the day before Radio 4 was due to repeat an edition of Quote, Unquote on which Alan Melville talked about death. He always, he said, looked at The Times every day to see if his obituary was in it. One day it had been in it. Luckily, it turned out to be the obituary of a completely different Alan Melville, a cricketer.

The idea of broadcasting Alan Melville talking about *The Times* obituaries on taking about *The Times* obituaries on the very day his real obituary was due to appear proved to much for the poor old BBC, so they took the programme off, and replaced it. The BBC, in other words, had a fit of trembling cowardice, and lost a golden opportunity to take advantage of its own good luck. When a star dies, the BBC's normal reaction is to cobble together a rush "tribute" which more together a rush "tribute", which more often than not seems to be collected droppings from the Michael Parkinson show. In Alan Melville's case, things were very different. A programme was going out featuring Melville himself. Not only that, but it featured him talking in his own lighthearted manner about facing death.

landed this gift on a plate, the BBC did what you might expect it to do; it ordered the gift and the plate to be locked away, where nobody could see them.

low, we all know that death is a taboo subject. It is, in other words, something so delicate and sensitive that we talk about it all the time. The BBC talks about it all the time, especially on the news. The news on television is a licensed form of video nasty. It is hard to get on to TV news unless you have just killed someone, just been killed, or just installed a weapon capable of a lot of newsworthy killing. But if you have ventured to make a joke or two about your own obituary, and then have the bad taste to die, be sure the BBC will not let you be heard joking about it.

Broadcasters who intend to die at some time in the future and who do not want to get into the trembling hands of the BBC Tribute Department, should perhaps get in touch with the German video-maker who offers people the chance to put their last will and testament on video tape. You can, apparently, be filmed in any situation you like, such as in a businesslike pose at a desk with a telephone, though I know that in my case this would lead to endless

difficulties....
Me: (to camera) "This is the last will and testament of Miles Kington. No part of this will and testament may be reproduced without permission from me. Or from whoever's handling that sort of thing. Right, here we go then. (The phone rings). I'm sorry, we'll be back with the will in a moment. Hello? Oh, hello, it's you. Yes, I am busy. Actually, I'm just recording my will, but you won't get anything if you don't ring off now."

Recording a voice on video strikes me as rather banal, actually, rather like registering your fingertips and calling it art, but making your own television tribute programme - now, that might be useful. Picture the scene at the BBC when news of your death comes through

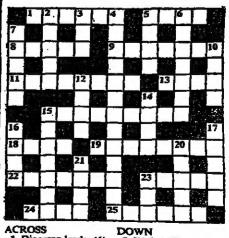
'Apparently old Simon has snuffed it." Good Lord. How unexpected. He'd only been very ill for five years."

Well, the point is, should we do a tribute to him tonight? Bit of Parkinson, bit of old news footage, that sort of thing?"

Hold on -. didn't he send a tribute haifhour about five years ago? Let's put that out instead. Apparently it was free, and God knows, we need the money."

Shouldn't we have a look at it first? The old Maigret problem you know." Simon is hardly likely to make a tribute to himself without featuring himself all the way through. Let's slam it on the television tonight, and just hope he didn't have the bad taste to mention his

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Yesterday's hair today

Hair analysis is currently the rage (see, for example, The Times Science Report for December 6). and it is good to see Egyptology among the pioneers. In 1898 was found the second cache of royal mummies, who had been hidden for safety 3,000 years earlier in a tomb in the Valley of the Kings. Most of the mummies were suitably labelled, but one in particular lurked anonymously. By her elaborate coiffure and her regal bearing, she was obviously not a person to be trifled with, and was immedi-ately dubbed "the Elder Lady". Less respectfully, she was published as Cairo 61070. Guesses were made as to her identity, but it was left to a



The mummy found in the tomb of Amenhotep II

radiological team from the University of Michigan to "make her name live" once more. Lateral head radiograms and cluster analysis techniques showed that her facial bones bore a strong resemblance to a lady named Thuyu, mother of the formidable Queen Tiye.

The latter, as a young girl from a provincial city, Captivated an emperor, and in turn became the mother of Akhenaten. She was even a political figure in her own right.

The final clue to this tempting equation was available in the tomb of Tutankhamun, where a small wooden box contained a lock of hair from Queen Tiye, his grandmother, ion etching and electron microprobe analysis matched this hair with those on the head of Cairo hair with those on the head of Cairo 61070. One wonders whether, if hair analysis can be used on Egyptian queens, if could be used in criminal trials, to prevent innocent

Concerning Akhenaten, the "here-tic" Pharaoh who abolished Egyplic" Pharaon wno avousness Egyptian religion at an unpopular stroke and substituted a sole god, sublime in conception by rather easily confounded with Akhenaien himself. confounded with Akhenaten himself, speculation continues, and is likely to do so in the absence of his authenticated diaries. He is certainly "the first individual in history"; but was he a saintly forerunner of Moses, or was he more like the unbalanced at Halim forerunner of moses, or was ne more like the unbalanced al-Hakim, fountainhead of the Druze religion? His immediate successors subscribed to the criminal theory, and

people from spending six years of their lives in prison (cf. Times, December 7. p. 3).

Inside Akhenaton

turned his large open-air temples into convenient building material.

FINDINGS

A series on research Egyptology

Of the many thousands of such blocks now being recovered by a joint Canadian and Egyptian team, one in particular has recently attracted attention. It contains part of an address by the young reformer, still known by his orthodox name of



Amenophis IV. It is fragmentary. but it refers to the vanity of worshipping perishable images, and the transcendent reality of a solar god, who must be the new deity who was shortly to be declared unique. At last a new glimpse into the mind of the man who was to describe



and has accidentally by Dutch scholars in the Pierpoint Morgan Librery in New York. Its morgan Librery in New York. Its 22 columns are written in Egyptian shorthand, but the underlying language turns out to be Aramaic, the Lingua franca of the Near East. The whole text seems to be a realising library. The whole text seems to the religious liturgy, addressed to various Oriental gods, with a strong Babylonian flavour and containing several passages distinctly reminiscent of the Hebrew Psalms. Like the Dead Sea Scrolls, the literature on this will run and run. Ancient Egypt, like us, must have had its ashrams, and its immigrant gurus.

There was once a papyrus owned by Lord Amberst of

War it disappeared,

Arch find

The palm for most remarkable recent discovery in Egypt should go to the French, for their work at Balat in Dakhleh oasis, some 200 miles west of the Nile valley. There they have discovered an entire Egyptian colony, dating from the end of the Old Kingdom (c. 2350-Egyptian religion as the "great 2200 BC) with mud-brick houses, massive ramparts, and govern-

lines show the original building

Evidence has been growing that the Ancient Egyptians were the first Egyptologists. It has been known for some time that they restored ancient monuments and piously copied inscriptions; even their tourist graffiti are reverent. (The

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"I have done my best", says Hardy Amics. "to keep a lot of ladies happy." Mr Amies has been in fashion for exactly 50 years. His contribution to fashion history, he thinks, was "to help to create the British suit, the London suit, when it was a fashionable commodity". He remembers with shutter speed precision the first suit of his that appeared in Vosue, photographed by Cecil Beaton. "It was Cumberland tweed, the jacket in large check, a purple background with flecks of cerise and green. The skirt was flecked taked; it had a hip-length jacket and a rather modern puffer. tweed; it had a hip-length jacket and a rather modern puffed top to the sleeve. You could put it on the market today. What strikes me about fashion is how little things change."

Hardy Amies's design amoins now

Hardy Amies's design empire now includes mass-market menswear lines throughout North America, Australia, New Zealand and Japan. He designs workwear, lingerie, cosmetics and home furnishings, as well as two couture and ready-to-wear collections year and a newly launched wholesale range.

The consistent theme that unitesthese various collections is their quality of "Englishness". He defines that as "usually something to do with the country. Clothes shouldn't look totally out of place in the country. Even a mum's wedding outfit must be acceptable for a country church."

He has a country home in the Cotswolds where his pride and joy are the tennis court (he plays every day at the age of 74) and his garden. "I like individual flowers which one can appreciate, rather than flowers en masse," he says. "I am anti herbaceous borders."

His early background, he admits cheerfully, was not county or country, but suburban. His father worked in the planning department of the old LCC, his mother in one of the last of the court dressmaking houses. That at least was a suitable family setting for his role as number one conturier to the Queen.

"And the Queen is the number one woman in the world", be says. "Of course I have profited from the connexion in that it has given me an aura of respectability. I was especially honoured to have been given the CVO which is a private honour. But I could not consider myself as a friend. The Queen is a professional woman and seeing me is like a visit from her doctor or her handresser. After 30 years, she still calls me 'Mr Amies'."

Others suggest that there is a special relationship between the puckish, elegant, entertaining dressmaker and his most special client. She has read the new autobiography that he brings out this spring ("I am shocked that they bothered her with it", he says, sounding very pleased indeed).

The criticism of the Queen's wardrobe (only partly by Amies) on last year's West Coast tour still rankles. He does not, he says with dignity, dress the Queen. She is the arbiter and judge of an outfit to suit the occasion. If the public judges her unfairly, it is because opinion is based entirely on photographs rather than for men. He now refers to it (in 1980s the reality of an outfit in flesh and parlance) as his "athletic snit". He is movement. He suggests in the mostdiscreet way that more attention ("not like those 1970s suits with



might perhaps be paid by the Palace to the modern age of comunications. "Television," he says, "is simply a word that has never been memtioned." Around his London flat are the traditional grand royal poses in signed photographs.

Amies himself is acutely aware of the changing world. "In the past", he says, "a sexy woman was one who lay on a sofa like an odalisque, smoking a cigarette. Now she is an athletic oman s certainly doesn't smoke." I witnessed a nice understanding of changing modes. Hardy Amies had once told me that he reinvented the "sexy suit" wearing it, jacket tailored like a blazer

Hardy Amies in his Kensington home last week: "I am a realist about fashion." Photograp jackets with nipped-in waists and another working month in New Yor where his faithful manservant Jame

He is now involved more closely with the menswear collections especially for his overseas licences than with women's wear, which is under the control of Ken Fleetwood, design director for 10 years and one of the half-dozen people he counts among his close friends. Amies attributes his ability to organize his background (he served in the Second World War in the Intelligence Corps). He is straightforward about his plans for the succession. In July, when he will be 75, he plans to stay in the Cotswoods for the major part of the week and leave still more to Ken. But he talks of the year 2001 when he will be 91. In February he will spend

JAEGER

serves up shepherd's pie in Amies' Manhatten apartment.

His London home is now relatively small Kensington flat, filled with eak furniture polished to waxer gloss. He enjoys social life, just as he has always enjoyed "dining with the best people. Not the smartest people but the well-dressed, bright people. I d and amused that I am still asked out so much when I have almost given up entertaining."

Hardy Amies's fashion admiration is for Molyneux: "He was one of my gods. He played a world role and he had marvellous taste that showed up so well against the sometimes doubtful taste of the French."

Although Amies was famous in the

The things they say about Jean Muir, first lady of British fashions. Miss Muir CBE

ceived a CBE for services to industry in the New Year Honours. The award recognizes her messia nic work with fashion students and her contribution to the industry through the Royal Society of Arts, as well as her undisputed claim as Britain's

foremost fashion designer. The bition in 1980 included this

selection of tributes: Muir's creative power lies a sound structural sense, an alert awareness and determined discipline. First comes an understanding of the human body, of its gravity and balance," SRIDGET RILEY.

"All her clothes are variations on a single theme stemming from an idiosyncratic mastery of cut and materials that create a form of dress that is immediately recognizable and virtually dateless. Attention to detail and understatement are es-sential ingredients of her

her art is like a single unending

"Jean Muir is distinguished by her altruistic attitude to clothes: she is confessedly making clothes for other people but not for herself. As a result,

David Genteman an extraordinarily wide range of physical types – in fact the whole gamut of the female race - can wear her clothes. something which does not always apply to the dresses of other more "opinionated" designers. LADY ANTONIA FRAS-ER.

"I believe that craft in its true sense is totally necessary, not only in mine but in all industries. It is to me an unarguable empirical fact not only from the aesthetic point of view, but also because in economically difficult times the products which have an innate feeling of craft and quality are the ones that suffer least." FROM A 1982 LECTURE GIVEN BY MISS MUIR.



Not-so-liberated lady from the Jaeger calendar.

Parkinson, four dalmations and a pure white wool sun, usher in the 1950s.

The hightly-laced stays in nineties lady wears in Parkin-Jaegar's centenary calendar are son's picture marks Dr Jaegar's sarch for animal fibres that took him from camels in the Jaeger's Sanitary Woollen System" was designed to let the skin breathe through simple clothes made entirely from

Oscar Wilde's unlikely endorsement of this sensible ciothing regime brought it to public notice in Britain in 1884. papie nonce in Britain in 1884. Its most fervent disciple was a Victorian accountant Lewis Tomalin who made a bonfire of all the family bed linen and cotton undies and set up in business with clothes to support Jacger's theories.

The Jaeger calendar - on sale now in selected stores - is an maginative reconstruction in pictures of Jaeger's first hun-dred years. Its cover features the old curiosity shop stacked with worthy woollens.

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Inside, leading fashion photographers take pictures that represent the Jaeger image over the span of the century. The appeal of the Jaeger health cult to the aesthetic movement is elegantly expressed in Norman clothing seem almost in the 1950s. to the aesthetic movement is with natural fibres and practical especially behind the animal markings is absolute mastery of the knitting machines and with the enthusiasts of a century with William Morris furnish—

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I do not know what the "golden hands" of her Italian workers.

The wild animals, she says, both fascinate and repel her. They also threaten to take over their dressing gown that the of the clothes.



Since the Italians do everythi with style, Mariuccia Mande will be celebrating Krizi took him from camels in the Syrian desert to vicunas in the thirtieth birthday not just with Andes.
Anthony Crickmay's provocative Edwardian picture (above) is followed by John Swannell's poetic evocation of a First World War parting. Swannell also photographs the crisp striped sweater that brings the Jacger fashion image right up to 1984.

In between come the Airest Anthony of the Company of the grand party, but also by opening her newly restored \$6m palaz in Milan

in Milan.

Although Krizia set up business 30 years ago, the re anniversary should perhaps to f 1968, when Mariuccia starte using the distinctive, witty an technically dazzling anima motifs in the knitwear collection. The animals worked in In between come the high fashion years, and especially the magnificent Jaeger coats, photographed on nanny's hallowed ground at the Round Pond in Kensington in the 1920s or with a bobby on the beat by Tony McGee for the 1930s. Norman Parkinson, four dalmations and tion. The animals, worked in complex tapestry of stitches i complex tapestry of stitches in intersia, were at first relatively domestic sheep, butterflies, a cat, a dragonfly. With each season, they seem to get more wild and wonderful with a tiger prowling through jungle greenery across the chest or leopard paw marks staining white ansora.

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Sometimes the animals seem uncomfortably savage - like the panther snarling shoulder to shoulder with a tusked rhinoceros or a snake pitting its

poison against a crocodile. Behind the Krizia label, and

hair dressing sown that the of the clothes.



Marks and Spencer then and now. From penny bazaar to casual wear.

Next week, Marks and Spencer growth area with jogging suits holds the first fashion show of and the sports look carried through into regular fashion. which sportwear makes all the

"Don't ask the price - it's a penny" was the slogan on which Michael Marks set up his market stall in Leeds in 1884. You don't ask how much M & S are spending on centenary celebrations, because, true to their image as a High Street retailer with heart, they are giving money to the people. To commemorate their hundred years of trading, the group has allocated £3.5m to help local community projects. The money has been divided between the 262 stores, with staff selecting worthwhile projects from £5,000 to £25,000.

The fashion policy is no longer based entirely on price. In fact, some of Marks and Sparks's runaway successes have been in "luxury" areas like leather and suede, when the first garments went into selected stores on trial. The latest leather line to be tried out - and to walk out - has been leather that Iceland spends £2 per head skirts, which were the surprise

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success of last season. For spring, leisure wear is the ice cream?

Active sports wear, introduced as a few tennis try-outs last summer, is a big M & S story for 1984. Fabrics like towelling. and brushed-back cottons all emphasize the sporty theme, with workwear and coordinated casuals important for both

Marks have also brought changing fashions to the household with bed linen, bathroom and kitchen accessories and recently lights.

The facts and figures always make astounding reading: 20 per cent of everything we wear (and a quarter of the population's undies) come from M & S. The flagship store at Marble Arch sails annually into the Guinness Book of Records as taking more money per square foot than any other retailer in the world.

My favourite statistics show that Norway sells enough Si Michael peanuts to build twice the height of Mount Everest and of its population with M & S. I wonder if they sell the eskimos

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THE TIMES DIARY

On home ground

Gwyn Morgan's first task when he became the EEC representative in Turkey last spring was to find new offices for his staff. After a long search, he found suitable premises in kennedy Street, Aukara, and had them decorated. The day before he was due to move in, Morgan was visited by Turgut Ozal, leader of the Motherland Party, who told him that political parties were about to become legal and his party would require the offices. Morgan demurred. Ozal became more insistent. Morgan reported the situation to his Brussels headquarters. EEC chiefs in Brussels called in the Turkish ambassador. This was to no avail and Ozal moved in Recently, Ozal, now Prime Minister, received Morgan at his party headquarters, "How do you like my office?" he asked. Morgan replied: "Mr Prime Minister, since it should have been my living-room I like it very much

Wax and wane

Should your home need toning down rather than livening up, you might consider buying the very downbeat item which has just won; Johnson Wax award for furniture design. It is a low table with laminate finish "based on colours and textures found in decaying industrial areas".

OA group called "1984 No" has petitioned the Swiss Government to renumber the current year "Year One". The group felt that by doing so we would have a better chance of avoiding Orwellian prophecies.

Not quite classic

Cold chicken Véronique really must Minister since it is the recipe she supplies to any organization compil-ing a cookery book for charity. Its latest appearance is on behalf of the Save the Children Fund; before that it turned up in the Westbourne Parish Cookbook, in aid of a local church. However, the Prime Minister's version cannot really be called Veronique, since it omits an ingredient given in every classic cookery book for this dish of cold chicken masked in a creamy sauce peeled and depipped grapes. The next time 10 Downing Street hands out the recipe it should perhaps be called Chicken Margaret.

Acid test

Wissam Boustany, a 23-year-old flautist who was born in Lebanon, makes his London recital debut at the Wigmore Hall next Monday. This is in spite of the fact that he failed his music A-level. He blames this early failure on a bad memory -'I just couldn't remember things like theory, harmony, and history. I as a performer that it wasn't

Rochdale diet

Cyril Smith is unperturbed by the plans of Charles Irving, chairman of the House of Commons catering committee, to put MPs on a slimmed-down menu. As long as Andrew Clough, a fellow citizen of Rochdale, remains in the kitchen, Mr Smith thinks that his favourite dishes such as cabinet pudding will still be on offer alongside Irving-inspired fruit salads.

BARRY FANTONI



"It's new. The dummy keeps his lips closed and I do the talking"

Poles apart

The manoeuvres listed on the present driving test application form which an L-driver could theoretically be asked to carry out include Turn right-hand and left-hand corners without dewiring". This puzzling instruction was explained by the Department of Transport. It applies to trams, for which very few people now require licences to drive.

instant credit

Queueing up to return unsuitable Christmas gifts at Marks & Spencer, one customer started to add up the benefit to the company of hanging on to the purchase price of the presents before they were eventually returned. He worked out that each million pounds spent earns M & S bout £3,452 in interest over a fortnight. He didn't begrudge them a penny of it, he said, since, as he often found himself short of money on a Saturday, he would buy something in the shop and pay for it by cheque. A few minutes later, he would return it and get his refund in cash. He found these banking facilities most convenient.

David Williams on the coup that cut short Nigeria's anti-corruption drive

Shagari, the purger purged

In January 1982, President Shehu Shagari made a speech in which he denounced the materialsm and corruption in Nigeria in terms which raised expectations that his administration was to be purged. Finally, however, there was only a minor reshuffle which earned from a newspaper well disposed towards the government the sardonic description

"Night of the short knives".

Whatever the President then intended, and whatever party pressures stood in his way, the extent of the purge which he carried out after last year's general election exceeded expectations. Only eight ministers survived, and only two of the special advisers who played so important a role in Nigeria's presidential system. Civil Service department heads were reshuffled and the President retained in the key post of Secretary to the Government - coveted, it was believed, by powerful politicians - the civil servant he had installed there in 1979. A ministry specifically charged with fighting corruption was estab-lished. This time there seemed no doubt that Shehu Shagari was in

The President was now in a political position very different from that on October 1, 1979, when he was sworn in as Nigeria's first "executive president". Then, at the age of 54, he was still relatively unknown, even in Nigeria, although he had first been elected to the Federal House of Representatives in 1954 and had held more portfolios than any other politician. As a man of proven integrity, he was virtually drafted into accepting the presidential candidacy by powerful elements in the new National Party of Nigeria (NPN). A quiet, thoughtful and scholarly man, he had wanted only to be a senator.

He won most votes among the five presidential candidates, but



Shehu Shagar nodesi achievements, but none of his rivals could point to a better record

only a third of blotal, and that on a low poll. By election was challenged in by curs, which were continued in management were to occupy the jobstry over the next four years. The NEW held only their a third of the season about a third of the seats in each house of the Name al Assembly and house of the Name of the 19 convolled only given of the 19 states. The complicated constitution was unused. It administration, both federal and cite, was weak: the public utilities are in disarray.

But the high pare of ail provided adequate revent and external reserves to radion mismanagement, to suppor political extrava-gance, and to zert Nigeria's place as the world fourth biggest democracy and softh most populous

At his second inauguration, on October 1, 161, Shehu Shagari seemed political unassailable. This time he had second almost half the votes in the presidential election, which saw a letter poll than in Assembly and controlled 12 states.

could also now take decisions without regard to electoral factors. Above all, by patience and hard

1979. His party had a clear majority in both bouses of the National

The President himself had been unanimously endorsed as his party's presidential candidate at a convention which was described as a "coronation". While bound to the constitution's requirement that public appointments should reflect the country's federal character, he now appeared to be free of the

suffocating party control which in his first administration had obliged him when allocating posts to consult a party "bible" listing those thought to be deserving of advancement in each state. And since, constitutionally, he could have no third term, he

work, Shehu Shagari had, before the end of the first term, established himself as a respected figure. In the early days of his administration

had treated him with discourtesy. At its end all governors publicly and privately showed him the respect a head of state deserves. After much trial and error the new constitution, largely because of the President's

political dexterity, was working.
Although he was criticized for making too many foreign visits, the President had become one of Africa's most influential leaders, and a world figure. He was, it is true, denounced by the small band of Nigerian radicals as a "lackey of the West; but he was uncompromising in his condemnation of apartheid, voicing it even at a state banquet at

Buckingham Palace. The achievements of his administration, however, had been modest, and for more than a year its energies had been absorbed by the consequences of the oil slump, the balance of payments crisis and the need to cut public spending. His reelection. by an increased vote, seemed more like a tribute to the man than a reward for his record, although since

governments, none of which had been conspicuously successful, none could point to a better record. Corruption, which might be viewed with indulgence, misman-agement and extravagance, which might be overlooked, when revenues are rising, become intolerable burdens when revenue falls, Nobody knew that better than Alhaji Shehu Shagari. His tragedy is that while he

all parties contesting the 1979

election controlled one or more state

was carefully preparing his cam-paign against Nigeria's evils for the next four years, less patient men have usurped it. David Williams was editor of West Africa, 1949-1978, and author of a biography of Shehu Shagari, Presi-

dent and Power in Nigeria.

Richard Owen finds Owellian parallels with the crisis in the Kremlin



Last week's Politburo front beach (from left): Ustinov, Gromyko, Chernenko, Tikhonov - and Andropov's empty chair

Moscow Foreigners now visiting Moscow might find the fact that the city is festooned with signs saying "1984" more than a little sinister. Along Kalinin Prospekt high-rise office buildings are illuminated with the city is festooned. buildings are illuminated with the gigantic 14-storey digits of the doom-laden year.

In the city centre, gaily coloured street illuminations brighten up the area round Red Square, but weary pedestrians, not unlike Orwell's proles, trudge past with their minds on the everyday struggle of survival. Television screens in Russian living rooms tell viewers that the party brought them untold benefits in 1983, even though the Russian equivalent of Winston Smith knows that life is dreary, the shops are still badly stocked, and the bright future has been postponed for yet another

But for most Russians, 1984 does promise change for the better: living standards have steadily improved under Mr Andropov, industrial growth rates have risen, with a forecast growth rate of around 4 per cent. The KGB, although rightly feared, is seen as much the guardian of the nation and its ideology as Orwellian thought police. Life is regimented and drab, but Russians compare their lot with that of their forebears and not with the unknown

Above all, Big Brother is conspicuous by his absence at the moment. Russians have never read Nineteen Eighty Four of course, but even if they knew about the Ministry of Truth and telescreens, they would probably agree that the Andropov regime has so far been remarkably faceless. This was true from the moment Mr Andropov took over in November 1982, but it has been dramatically reinforced by the Soviet leader's illness and absence from public life since August last year. His portrait is occasionally seen on hoardings and shown on television, but on the whole Big Brother is not watching at all: he is recovering from an unspecified illness (almost certainly kidney disease with heart complications) at

a party sanatorium outside Moscow. Even the most apolitical of Russians are aware that there is some crisis in the leadership, and that Mr Andropov's extraordinary five-month absence must be giving rise to a concealed struggle for power behind the Kremlin walls. The lack of foreign policy initiatives — with only two weeks to go to the Stockholm disarmament conference is an obvious sign of paralysis behind the façade of a normally functioning political machine.

Last Monday Mr Andropov sent word to the central committee of his "deep regret" that "because of temporary causes" he could not attend the plenum. Like many Soviet statements which seem breathtakingly inadequate at first sight, his explanation for his absence gradually became accepted by most Russians and he none the less

dominated the week. How long can the Soviet Union continue to function with an

How much longer can Big Brother watch from afar?

siate? The reply of at least one official in the corridors of the Kremlin during the Supreme Soviet session was: "almost indefinitely."

Unlike western systems, the machinery of Soviet government does not depend on national assemblies there are no debates in the western sense, and no critical voles. The party rules through the Politburo - now restored to 13 full members - while the 300-member central committee (the next tier down) only convenes two or three times a year. Soviet policy is what the Polithuro says it is, and the Polithuro is guided by the general secretary, even (apparently) when he is not them.

None the less, ordinary Russians and central committee members alike expect their leader to guide them in person or risk loss of authority. Even in a one-party system the leader has to cajole, command, twist arms and whisper in ears, and in Russia there is a long tradition of powerful, visible leader-

Central committee members represent powerful interests in adminisfration, industry, the arts, public life and the sprawling republican and provincial structure. The Politburo and the leader come from their

ranks.

Mr Andropov's grip on the Folitburo and the central committee. does not seem to have loosened, judging by the changes he has recently made by remote control. The appointment of Mr Vitaly Vorotnikov to the Politburo is significant since it brings a young Andropov protege to the centre of decision-making. Aged 57, and a firm supporter of Mr Andropov's anti-corruption campaign in the party. Mr Vorotnikov joins Mr Grigorii Romanov (60) and Mr Mikhail Gorbachov (52) in the team of technocratic, efficiency-minded leaders likely to inherit the Andropov legacy. The promotion of General Viktor Chebrikov, head of the Lieband Political P the KGB, as candidate Polithuro member also shows that Mr Andropov can still push his associates upward.

But many party officials already have their eye on the next bout of political manoeuvring. Jostling for position began in the Kremlin in Vovember, as alarm rose over Mr Andropov's condition.

In his speech to the plenum - read for him and circulated among The article by the Home Secretary on remand prisoners, announced yesterday, has been held over and

measures. Symbolically he was flanked then by the two men most likely to succeed. Mr Romanov and Mr Gorbachov. They, after all, will inherit the results of the "limited industrial experiment" which will stretch over five years. It provides for some factory autonomy, with managers gaining control over production, marketing and investment The scheme is complemented by a invisible party leader and head of delegates - Mr Andropov instructed, state? The reply of at least one urged and exhorted in his old "brigade" system of payment by results, with a parallel scheme in agriculture. In November, as the energètic manner. Some diplomats suspect the speech was a collective Andropov health crisis gathered effort, and that the Kremlin has

been covering up the fact that Mr

Andropov is not working at all. But

the speech had many Andropovian

touches. "It is very important that

we make a good start from the very first days of the New Year and get in

the mood for a further increase in work intensity," he declared. "I

must tell you quite bluntly ... it is

absolutely essential ... we must not

He attacked managerial incompetence, low labour output, ir-

rational transport systems, scarce

and shoddy consumer goods and

environmental damage, and out-lined a programme for "perfecting the entire mechanism of manage-

ment". Combined with "limited industrial experiments" in five ministries, these could amount to an

During one of his last appearances, in August, Mr Andropov

spoke of the need for greater

economic efficiency and to turn

"our entire huge system into an uninterruptedly functioning and well-adjusted mechanism". The remark reflects his almost passion-

ate concern to get the cumbersome

planning system moving and make it more sensitive to real consumer

needs. Under his leadership econ

omic experts have publicly attacked

the sin of "gigantomania" and have recommended decentralized systems

the Soviet Union might benefit from

a spot of private enterprise in the service industries along Hungarian

lines. One Moscow paper suggested in August that private taxis should be licensed, and quoted finance ministry officials as saying they approved of limited enterprise in

ther areas. Such suggestions have run into

stiff opposition from old-guard bureaucrats, some of whom subse-

quently went on record as arguing

there was nothing wrong with the present system of central planning.

Equally, Mr Andropov came under fire from those who thought he had

not gone far enough. A Kremlin research paper leaked to the western

press called for far-reaching changes in an essentially Stalinist structure

riddled with corruption and irres-

ponsibility, and hinted at the need

Given the slow pace of change in Russia, it would be unrealistic to

hope for much more than a revival

of Mr Andropov's August call for an

for radical reforms.

There have even been hints that

more attuned to market realities.

impressive long-term package.

lose the tempo."

hidebound managers who preferred a predictable wages system.

Despite Mr Andropov's sickbed exhortations, and despite the spectre he raised of popular discontent there is a danger that the necessary action will not be taken. Many officials are reluctant to forge ahead in case a new leader emerges with a different approach and different priorities. The very impatience and frustration of Mr Andropov's speech

pace, the Poliburo endorsed the idea

of team incentives and criticized

"vigorous change" rather than "half

suggest that he is aware of this. t is also striking that although 1983 ended with the Geneva talks in ruins and East-West relations at a low ebb, Mr Andropov made no mention at all of foreign affairs. Soviet statements have simply repeated his dictum that the economy must be strengthened in the face of imperialist aggression, leaving unanswered the vexed question of whether high defence spending can go hand in hand with

economic growth. Some clues to Moscow's arms control intentions may emerge when Mr Gromyko meets Mr Shultz, the US Secretary of State, at the Stockholm conference.

But many party members find it embarrassing that Russia can no longer be represented on the world stage by Mr Andropov, and that Moscow's public image is increasingly dominated by KGB and military figures. Mr Gromyko has handled foreign affairs since 1957, and is a symbol of continuity. But the Kremlin cannot mark time indefinitely, and there is a chance that some of he old guard may step in. The late Mr Brezhnev's protege, the 72-year-old Konstantin Chernenko, is an obvious contender. ith Marshal Ustinov and Mr Viktor Grishin as compromise stopgaps. But the young Turks - Mr Romanov, Mr Gorbachov, and now Mr Vorotnikiv - are knocking at the

Unless Big Brother resigns to let them in - and no Soviet leader has ever relinquished power voluntarily the most the younger leaders can hope for is a prolonged crisis, giving them more time to manoeuvre.

If the concealed succession struggle of the past few months shows anything, it is that the lack of a Kremlin transition mechanism is as much of a political obstacle as the periodic American presidential elec-tion campaigns, which the Russians so often blame for disrupting all-out attack on inertia and international affairs.

Roger Scruton

Time to wage war on peace studies

What is the Government doing to counter the effects of socialist policies in education? Sir Keith Joseph did eventually take a stand against the campaign of vilification recently directed at the National Council for Educational Standards. But not before the socialist establishment had filled the channels of communication with unscrupulous propaganda, designed to impede rational discussion of the

council's latest report. The Government seems determined to abolish the GLC, and yet it is willing to retain the only section of it that does lasting damage - the ILEA, surely the most militantly politicized of all our "educational" institutions, dedicated to "equality" at whatever educational cost.

Far worse than those two examples of a continuing hegemony. however, is the movement to introduce "Peace studies" into our schools. This subject - if it can be so called - shares an important feature with various other pursuits that incorporate the word "studies" into their name: women's studies, for example, black studies, and gay studies. This is that you can be fairly certain of the ideology of those who promote them.

In serious subjects, such as Latin, English and mathematics, all ideologies are represented, and none

In women's studies, however, you can be certain that a majority of the teachers are feminists, convinced of the need to "redress the political balance" to the benefit of a "disadvantaged" sex. Anyone who dares to suggest that the ideology of feminism might actually be false, will be denounced by them as a "reactionary", perhaps even a

The question of the truth of feminism is vast and complex. The purpose of inventing "women's studies" is not to discuss the question, but to beg it, by making feminism into the premise of an academic discipline.

"Peace studies" is similarly concerned to beg the only question that it could conceivably answer - the question of how peace is secured. I happen to believe that there is no way to preserve peace in Europe without matching the armaments, and blocking the expansionist policies, of the Soviet Union. That belief of mine is based on reasoning. the major premise of which is the nature and history of the Soviet Union. Take away the premise, and I should certainly arrive at a different conclusion. I may be wrong but I know that any person who sets out to discuss this question without first considering the major premise is irrational, and that a subject which is devoted (as "peace

studies" is devoted) to preventing all considerations of its own major premise is not an academic discipline but an exercise in propaganda.

A recent report, prepared by the department of "peace and conflict research" at Lancaster University. tells us that 11.8 per cent of Conservative councils and 30.6 per cent of Labour councils have peace studies on the curriculum in their schools. The political assymetry is already significant. What is most alarming, however, is the sheer extent of peace studies teaching in our schools.

One can be fairly certain that someone advocating the introduc-tion of such a subject is a supporter of CND, and perhaps an out-andout pacifist.

Thus the main pressure group advocating the introduction of peace studies - Teachers for Peace declares that it "comes under the umbrella of CND", Its Dovepax starter pack, issued to help teachers to begin a course of peace studies. contains nothing but unilateralist propaganda.

Among the teaching methods that it advocates is the following, introduced into schools in the North-east by Durham Schools Against the Bomb:

One of the "teachers" describes a line running along the middle of the classroom. This line goes from "complete pacifism" to the opposite extreme, which is, apparently, belief in both nuclear and conventional weapons". The children are then encouraged to stand at their preferred point on the line, and to suffer whatever criticism may be provoked by doing so. Predictably, the middle point on the line (and therefore the point of safety to which the pupil will naturally gravitate) is defined as that of the "unilateral nuclear disarmer".

The aim of propaganda is to teach people to think in one-dimensional terms, and so to reduce all problems. however complex, to a simple for and against, left and right, them and us. In a democracy, the clever propagandist defines his preferred position as the centre between two extremes. All he has to do is to persuade his victim to accept the spectrum, and he can then guarantee the result that he desires. Such is the nature of the campaign that is now being fought in all seriousness in our schools. It is a campaign not for new forms of education, but against the very idea of education, a campaign replace teaching by indoctrination. And its aim is transparently political. Only government action can defeat such a campaign, and yet once again the government hesitates to act. Once again, therefore, a ploy to undermine educational values seems likely to succeed.

Mark Goyder

Solution please, in double-quick time

9. 1944, Winston Churchill was preoccupied with the preparations for the Normandy landings and admitted that he had not had time to read the document that he was commending to it, the White Paper on Employment Policy. He had not even had time to read Lord Cherwell's covering memorandum, except for the first sentence which said that the paper was bold, able, and worthy of full support. That was good enough for Churchill.

And so it was that the Cabinet approved the most momentous promise made by any British government. As the Conservative industry spokesman, Henry Brooke. put it at the time, "My aim is that no man, except through his own fault, should ever have to be many days

without the prospect of a job."

It is nearly 40 years since the promise was made, and nearly 10 since government began to recognize that it was impossible to fulfil to the letter, yet still the promise echoes around the British political landscape. Opposition parties make much of the failure to tackle unemployment but, if they have sense and are serious in their wish to govern, they will shrink from repeating Henry Brooke's words The government could of course restore employment and increase our efficiency by embarking on a programme of investment in the fabric of Britain - areas such as housing renewal, transport and sewerage. The list is tediously familiar. But its implementation would not redeem the promise of 1944.

It simply is not good enough to keep talking as though an alternative macroeconomic approach alone will be enough to end mass unemployment. Policies are needed now that cover not only the creation but also the distribution of employment Consider one crucial example. This year Britain will still have the fourth highest unemployment level in Europe, yet at present we operate the highest level of overtime anywhere in Europe, around 10 hours a week, Looking around my friends and

neighbours, I am struck by the gulf that exists between two extremes. Few seem to have got the balance right between home, work and leisure. There are those whose jobs demand and get 60 hours a week, reducing them to the status of weekend visitor to their families. Then there are those, retired, redundant or single par ent, who are nearly always at home. The unattainable ideal these people yearn for is not an impossibly full-time job but that little counterweight, a part-time job or activity that takes them away from home for long enough to make it a pleasure to return.

Now consider the problem faced by an employer in continous-process constructive opposition to say so.

When the War Cabinet met on May manufacturing. Except for Christmas and a two-week closure in summer, the plant must run all-year. With five weeks' holiday, sickness and absenteeism, there remain at least four weeks per man or woman that have to be covered by overtime. Each of those four weeks per man entails two colleagues working more than 60 hours. And since nobody apart from the odd skier wants to go on holiday between January and March, that leaves late spring, summer and autumn as the period when those people who are not themselves on holiday are working 60 hours a week.

It is an arrangement which leaves everyone complaining but which. paradoxically, neither workers nor employers are keen to change. Family men may resent the time away from home, but will not turn down the extra income if it is available. Production managers go grey trying to keep the jobs covered on this system, but their accountant colleagues have calculated that it is cheaper to employ men permanently for 55 hours a week than reorganize to 40 and take on a fresh shift.

Somehow we have achieved the worst of both worlds, polarizing between the overstretched and the understimulated. The problem can be solved only by government, for it is government which determines the trade-off between overtime, full-time and part-time working.

We must reduce the cost of extra employment and increase the cost of overemployment, without increasing overall employment costs. Why not simply abolish the national insurance surcharge on plain-time working and steeply increase it on overtime? Give employers and unions time to adjust working patterns by phasing in the change over, say, three years. A special tax advantage could be offered to companies to introduce pro-ductivity, profit-sharing, or capital sharing schemes to help fill the gap

left by the overtime in many people's earnings.

Alternatively, leave the national insurance surcharge as it is on plaintime working and compound it for overtime, using the savings to pay a corresponding subsidy per part-time employee recruited. That would strike a blow for single parents and those with domestic or community commitments.

Resistance from vested interests: unwillingness to change; claims that the proposals are administratively unworkable, all can be expected as part of the usual litany of inertia. The fact remains that we are bungling employment policy by overconcentrating work in too few jobs. This is a betrayal of elementary social justice and of economic sense. and it will be the hallmark of a

UPHILL FOR THOUGHT POLICE

So vivid and so close to reality at least, to an aspect of reality was Orwell's nightmare vision that a whole civilization seems at this moment to be anxiously pinching itself to see how far it is fully awake, and how far the nightmare has come true.

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The magazine Index on Cen-sorship, which keeps a world-wide watch on interference with freedom of thought and of expression, is well qualified to report not only how but where 1984 most resembles Nineteen Eighty-Four. Not surprisingly its first issue of the new year, to be published next week, gives pride of place to Orwellian themes. Its lead article, on Cambodia, is entitled "The Khmer Rouge: beyond 1984?" Then there are two articles by Czech writers who find different aspects of Orwell's vision uncannily and uncomfortably reflected in the present experience of their own country. After that the explicit reference is dropped, but the reader can easily recognize for himself, in this as in any other issue of the magazine, the sinister collaboration of the Ministry of Truth and the Ministry of Peace, under their various local pseudonyms, in country after country.

There is, unquestionably, a lot of it about Complacency about the future of freedom is hardly in order. Nor, however, is despair. On reading Nineteen Eighty-Four in 1984 one's first sentiment must be gratitude that one can still do that; just as, reading Index on Censorship in London, one must be grateful to live in a city where such a magazine can. be printed and published rather than furtively copied and passed from hand to hand. The struggle of the human spirit against its own totalitarian proclivities is not yet over, for either good or

Orwell's immediate target was Stalinism, which in 1949 was still in the heyday of its ghastliness at home, and still had innumerable admirers and apologists in Western Europe. In that very year China fell under its yoke, ensuring that today well. over a third of the human race would be ruled by Stalin's Soviet system might have to successors. The fact that the offer but about whether it is evil successors do not get on with incarnate or merely very uneach other makes no difference to the essence of the system, as Orwell rightly foresaw. ("The other than those of outright citizen of Oceania is not allowed to know anything of the tenets of the other two philosophies, but gives the most convincing Orhe is taught to execrate them as barbarous outrages upon morality and common sense. Actually the three philosophies are barely distinguishable, and the social systems which they support are of Stalinism) is one which owes not distinguishable at all.")

But not only has Stalinism not conquered the whole world. Even within its own domain it does not seem to be winning the crucial battle for control of the human mind. The article which Index presents as the work of "a Czech Winston Smith" is in this respect particularly interesting. and in a paradoxical way encouraging. For it is not an article written by an exile for consumption in the free world, but an extract from the introduction to a Czech translation of Nineteen Eighty-Four which is about to appear in Prague as a

samizdat typescript. The author, the dissident writer Milan Simečka, describes many points of similarity between his own experience and that of Winston Smith in the novel, but there is a very clear and striking difference: Mr Simečka is able to give a coherent account of his experience, to write it down, to communicate it to other people who, he knows, will share his understanding of and contempt for the way in which their society is run. No doubt in doing so he runs enormous risks, but he can do it. He can think for himself, and he knows he is not alone in

doing so. In other words, even Czechoslovakia is not yet in Nineteen Eighty-Four. If it were, there could be no such thing as a "dissident writer". Moreover, the signs are that, if anything, it is receding from that condition rather than advancing towards it. Mr Simecka admits that "Big Brother" no longer glares down upon the Czechs from every hoarding, as he used to "in the days of my youth". There is a reason for that. The party knows that people will not swallow that sort of personality cult any more, and also that it is dangerous above all for the members of the

inner party themselves.

Even if it is still expanding geographically, ideologically Stalinism is on the retreat. It is difficult to find an adult citizen of any communist country who actually believes the news put out by official media. In the West the argument is no longer about anything positive the pleasant, and whether one can have any useful relations with it confrontation.

Perhaps the country which wellian performance in 1984 (given that the Khmers Rouges since 1978 have been replaced, no thanks to the free world, by-a significantly less malign variant no admitted debt to Stalinism or diminish as time goes by.

indeed to socialism of any sort the "Islamic Republic" of Iran. Mr Gholam Hoseyn Sa'edi, who writes about Iran in the new issue of Index, makes no allusion to Orwell. But his account of "Iran under the Party of God" requires little adaptation to fit the picture.

Far more than in Russia or Czechoslovakia, the "revol-ution" in Iran intrudes into private life, requiring of the citizen not mere passive cooperation but enthusiastic and constant repetition of its slogans. There repentant "sinners", in-cluding former leaders of the communist party, appear on television to protest their love and gratitude to Big Brother (alias the "Imam" Khomeini), confess to a whole string of improbable crimes, repudiate everything they have previously fought for, and accept in advance. whatever sentence "Islamic" justice sees fit to impose.

There, too, a degree of genuine mass hysteria seems to be sustained in the form of public hatred, by carrying on an actual war against a constantly vilified adversary, whose political and social system - with the exception of such features as the tolerance of alcohol and the visibility of women's heads - is not in reality so very different from Iran's own. In the Iran of 1984 not only is war peace, freedom slavery and ignorance strength: extreme reaction is presented as revolutionary and the most diabolical crimes as the will of God - the last being an inversion so audacious that apparently neither Stalin nor Orwell thought of it.

All this is related to Islam only as Orwell's Ingsoc is to socialism. In both cases the seeds of the perversion can be identified in the original ideology, but the result is the opposite of what had been promised and fought for. The inclusion of religion, which has a deeper hold on most human beings than mere secular ideology, renders the mixture more potent and therefore more dangerous.

Even so, Islamic totalifarianism is no more certain of ultimate victory than the Stalinist variety. "Nothing in Oceania is efficient except the Thought Poince according to "the book". But, in the long run, the inefficiency of the system as a whole must surely impair the efficiency of the Thought Police itself, by making it more and more difficult for people to believe what they are supposed to believe. In the early years of a revolution a relatively large number of people can be fooled. But the number does tend to

PRYING EYES OF THE PRESS

There will be general public sympathy for the Queen's request that her family's privacy respond to it, and continue to respond to it.

The buyers of newspapers may appear to have an almost glare of life-long publicity. insatiable appetite for pictures and reports giving them the illusion of intimate familiarity with the personal lives of members of the Royal Family. and the reporters and photographers who dog their off-duty footsteps may appear to be responding to demand. But even the intrusive side of public curiosity is rooted in good will. When reminded of it, most people know very well how unpleasant they would find it to have their private activities under relentless surveillance; and if they see that it is a serious annoyance to the Queen, which it plainly is, they resent it.

The nation has an interest both proper and natural in the rersonal lives of royalty, as well as in their public appearances. One of the functions of the monarchy in our national life is to represent the significance of ramily life. The circulation of nursery photographs and sentimental information about how the youngsters are coming on is as much a part of that function The press has had a wretched nationally as it is to the lives of record in recent months over

any other family. Public expec-tations have changed, and royquest that her family's privacy alty today accepts a privacy far on holiday be respected, and the more circumscribed than thirty media should with no hesitation or fifty years ago. The area that remains is all the more important to their happiness, when they have so little respite from the

> It was no doubt with a view to satisfying claims of this kind that the Prince and Princess of Wales arranged u photographic session with their son for the media just before Christmas. But the courtesy was not enough to put off the telephoto squad from staking out Sandringham over the holiday.

> The Queen's protest is sharp and measured. It is issued not as an anonymous Palace statement, but explicitly on her personal instructions. It appeals to editors to withdraw their own staff and to refrain from encouraging freelance snooping by buying pictures obtained by intrusions. It is a request to be treated with plain good manners, and it would be plain bad manners to disregard it. It would also be

imprudent. The media are in a weak position just now to claim that their activities can be justified by an appeal to the public interest and the public's right to know.

sensational stories that cruelly exploit individuals, both royal and humble. The Press Council has censured the frenzies of innuendo and cheque-book journalism indulged in over the Fagan and Sutcliffe cases. The Palace has complained more than once about hounding of younger members of the Royal Family. Last year it took action in the courts to prevent the publication of reminiscences of a former employee in breach of his promise of confidentiality.

If it were decisively aroused, public distaste for the excesses of the media might generate sup-port for controls which would be harmful in the wider context. It was significant last year how much eminent support came from both sides of the Commons for Mr Frank Allaun's Bill to create a statutory right of reply. In the long run, extension of legal controls over editorial discretion and sense of decency is only too likely to give a greater leverage to those seeking to hamper the legitimate activities of the media. Observance of higher standards and collective self-regulation through a strengthened and more respected Press Council are fer better means of curbing the excesses of the press than any extension of the law. But unless those means are seen to be employed, pressures to

Urban heritage From Mr Brian Hobley Sir, Andrew Selkirk (November 25)

and Raiph Merrifield (December 7) have discussed the respective roles of amateur and professional archae-ologists in saving the archaeological heritage of Greater London in the face of property redevelopment. The central issue is the emergence in the last 10 years or more of professional field archaeologists mainly em-ployed on rescue investigations. This, as Selkirk should appreciate, arose directly from the failure of existing arrangements with parttime university field archaeologists,

local organizations and societies. The intensity of redevelopment in historic towns, and especially in the City of London, makes a permanent

professional provision essential. Since 1973 over 100 investigations have taken place in the City, and the Museum of London's Department of Urban Archaeology has become the largest professional unit in Europe, with voluntary grants of over £2m contributed in the last four years by developers themselves towards excavation and publications

of their sites. The main reasons for this success have been continuous contacts with the developers and the observance of agreed timetables. Credibility and trust have been established as between professionals and the developers have learnt that today's archaeological objective is a full and accurate record rather than the preservation of structures in situ. I can well understand Selkirk's

Britain there is a strong amateur tradition going back to the seven-teenth century. However, it is important that the limitations of their contributions are understood. The achievements of professional units at Lincoln, Oxford, York, etc.

legislate will grow.

could never have been matched on a part-time basis. The challenge of rescuing our archaeological heritage today calls for an entirely different approach, in recognition of which an Institute of Field Archaeologists was established a year ago and is gaining recognition from developers and their consultants, planners, architects, land surveyors, etc. all closely related professions. Yours faithfully,

BRIAN HOBLEY, Chief Urban Archaeologist, The Museum of London, sympathy for local societies, as in London Wall, EC2.

Perils of man and machine

Sir, Mr Parker's letter (December 17) complains of From Professor Donald Michie 17) complains of your headline Computer error blamed in Korean jet disaster", as being an odd description of the conjectured insertion by the pilot of wrong data. Headline-writer and critic both

share a common assumption that for share a common assumption that for disaster to be implicit in the decisions of a man-computer system there has to be either a human error (postulated in this case) or a computer error (as implied by the headline). While this assumption in the computer headline helds for the computer that the computer that the computer is the computer that the computer doubtless holds for the computer-based KAL 007 navigation system, your readers should be warned that beyond a certain level of design and performance complexity the assumption breaks down. Disaster can then unfold via

perfectly correct exchanges between two agents (man and machine) on opposite sides of an unbridgeable barrier of inscrutability. Even errorbarrier of inscrinating. Even error-free sequences of man-computer interaction may lead into grave aggravation of risk, as occurred at Three Mile Island. During sundry false alarms of America's Norad (North American air defence command) nuclear warning system, computer error was additionally involved. In such cases opacity of computer decisions to human comprehension and checking may compound a state of error into a state of mortal peril.

A review by Dr D. Kopec and myself was recently published by the European Community ("Mismatch between machine tepresentations and human concepts: dangers and remedies." FAST series No 9, Report EUR8426 EN, Brussels, 1983), We concluded that the problem of providing the missing "bridge" functions is intractable by traditional software methods. The issue has subsequently been sharpened by studies reported at international meetings in San Francisco, Washington and elsewhere concerning the likely conse-quences even of a limited nuclear exchange for continued human habitability of the northern hem-sphere. Such findings should redirect anxiety from what may be

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Software systems appropriate for bridging the concept gap between complex camputing systems and their users belong to the genus known as intelligent knowledge-based systems (IKBS). The new methods are beginning to migrate from laboratory experiment into practice, and "intelligent front ends" have been installed for a few toy-scale applications. IKBS front ends would: clearly be desirable, for would clearly be desirable for interpreting what is machine-in-ferred to be going on during the few minutes available for deciding whether for bot to fine UKchased

But until such front ends have been developed and are in place, it would seem that our Government's decision to dispense with dual-key and other controls is not prudent. Yours sincerely,

DONALD MICHIE, (Professor of Machine Intelligence, University of Edinburgh), 10 Bellevue Crescent Edinburgh. December 18.

Gatwick concern

From Mr.A. W. Jackson Sir, Concern is being expressed at the environmental effect of further expansion at Gatwick Airport.

Shortly after the war I was assisting Anthony Minoprio, in the preparation of the master plan for Crawley New Town. At that time Gatwick Airport was little more than a grass strip; its possible extension would have a profound effect on the development of the New Town.

We were assured by the Ministry

of Civil Aviation that this would not happen; indeed I recollect being flown over the area to be shown that

this was quite impossible.

The impossible has been achieved; one wonders if there is any value in future Government assur-

Yours faithfully, ALEX W.JACKSON. Jackson, Greenen, Down & Partners, Hinton Buildings, Hinton Road Bournemouth December 30.

Church and remarriage

From the Reserved A. W. Beer Sir, Mr Stretch calls upon the Church of England (December 27) to eschew the castistry employed by "other ancient churches" in declar-

"other ancient churches" in declaring marriages until on "mere technicalities".

A church which owes its existence to a sixteenth century marital technicality is surely not in a position either to deride the technicalities of other churches or to describe inelf as ancient.

Yours faithfully.

The President

The Prestivery, 25 Between Streets. Cobham, Surrey.

Library sponsorship

From the Sectory General of the Library Association General of the Sir, I refer to Most seport in The call by the Mississiste for the Arts to public libraries for the Arts to of charging sponsorship or mation services from this qualifies the of facetions of access upon library service of facetions of access upon library service at the last century in practice the cost.

Of administering someth of such incomprises the necessary private sponsorship not a bottomless we ship would not solve of the library service current limitations to diture).

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deadly weapons

THE EDITOR

The INF talks (and START, too) e now dead because Pershing 2 and SS20 (and its on-the-way ccessor) are strategic systems; cause other Governments than lose in Europe are concerned; and cause the United States cannot goliate over "strategic" weapons other Governments.

The arms race is too serious to be fit to the arms racers. Britain and rance, and China – all long term oponents of minimum deterrence their defence policies - should ove fast into the present vacuum, fore it is filled with the new highchnology ("Star-wars", "convenonal") arms races.

If the world is alarmed enough, it an start setting its house in order, trms control and disarmament, and e security of nations, are not in the ast inconceivable, provided that:

) negotiations address whole oblems, not arbitrarily defined ite-sized" bits, as up to now, and) Governments, particularly those the two super powers, abandon leir false belief that a terrifyingly fensive capability is either sound terrence, or can be converted into olitical clout

What is needed is an agenda that ill allow the most threatening eapons, asymmetrically disposed ough they are, to be identified, ozen and reduced in the first stage that long and slow process, which, ce again we now have a chance to gin property.

ours etc. LIZABETH YOUNG. 00 Bayswater Road, W2. ecember 21.

criainly they have to know English. t hardly to the specialised andard required for a degree. Few puld quarrel with history, but what out mathematics or statistics. imputer science, economics and ychology? A good prima facie case n be made out for each of these, only systematic research could cide on the most appropriate milies.

The time for the well intentioned inch is long past. Decisions of such portance must be based on idence. Is this not what the law is about?

ours truly. RANK A. HELLER, Director, ntre for Decision-Making Studies, le Tavistock Institute of Human fations. e Tavistock Centre, Isize Lane, NW3. ecember 28.

d decimalized their currencies. (If enjoys rugby Mr Scruton may be interested to know that even transformation of the 25-yard into the 22-metre line was puested, not by wicked men from toss the Channel, but by our own mmonwealth kith and kin, the w Zealanders.)

The dozen has conspicuously "given way to the decade": ough officially in disuse in France e Napoleon's time it is still t that country, and many others the sale of eggs, for example. The European Parliament did not us that "intolerably heavy lorries ust shatter our villages". The tropean Parliament reduced from tonnes to 40 the gross weight that

governments had seemed ready The European Court of Human ghts, whether worthy or unrthy, has nothing whatsoever to with the EEC - nor indeed has Council of Europe.

I wouldn't give 2p - or even 2d -r Mr Scruton's views on the propean Community, but may I adly offer, as a New Year gesture, d as a means of preventing your iders from being misled to yet all future articles on this subject fore he submits them to you. ours faithfully. EREK PRAG.

e Euro-centre. aynard House. e Common, ufield, Hertfordshire. cember 28.

tior reversible factor in a number Smoking ! common disabling and fatal eases, and that is sufficient From Dr Domi

lictment for those who deal daily Sir, Bernard th the suffering they cause. against the antismoking lo deserves a reply such poison's not your same is will perish just the same. Witty, and true enough: but go As he well i recite it on a cancer ward, Mr desiring "to ma vin, and you will hear yourself as they do ed of humbug. antismokers are the morbidity. urs faithfully. DMINIC KWIATKOWSKI. ghton Health Authority. Ival Alexandra Hospital for Sick has no demonstr He is correct

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alienates them from a system Combating y see as allowing them no From Mr Hugh Sir. I feel that Mr nnels of expression. Over 100,000 people voted for (December 28) in Fein last June. If denied this portunity, how many more than parliamentary car made to declare resent might resort to riot and advocate or incite rorism as the only means of nonstrating their beliefs? very important i upon candidates fo urs sincerely. IGH N. PARSONS, Any attempt to ate the chance

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aries raise income from advertisand sponsorship amounting to 1 cent only of total library income ch is an insignificant amount apared with expenditure.

he authors of the report do not sider that direct income is a listic way of funding the library rice and that charges, even if inded, could not maintain the ting level of service.

LAWREY. Secretary General, Library Association, idgmount Street, WC1. tember 20. ers faithfully.

Seeking exact date of Crucifixion

From Dr Geza Vermes

Sir, Two Oxford scientists claim (report, December 23) to have determined the exact date of the crucifixion - April 3. AD 33 - by combining the generally known chronological data with a previously ignored lunar eclipse on the evening

of Jesus' execution.
Where did they obtain this fresh information? Certainly not from the primary sources, for the Passion narratives of the Gospels have nothing to say on the subject. In fact, given the positive interest in signs and wonders which they display, eg. darkness at noon (interpreted by Luke 23:45 as a solar eclipse), their complete silence on this other score

is particularly telling.
It is not in the Gospels, but in Acts 2:20 ("The sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood") that Drs Humphreys and Waddington contrive to find their clue, Ignoring the mention of the sun, they concentrate on the second half of the sentence, reading into it not only a normal description of the

moon in eclipse, but also a reference to the day of the crucifixion. Whether the idiom "the moon (turned) into blood" may be accepted as a common designation for a lunar eclipse is open to question since the words, borrowed from the prophet Joel (3:4), occur once in the entire Hebrew Bible. But in any case, the long Joel citation (3:1-5) in Acts 2:17-21 has nothing to do with the crucifixion. It applies to the Apostles' speaking with tongues at the first Pentecost, as is explicitly stated in Acts 2:15-16.

In reality, the lunar eclipse on which this sensational theory rests derives from a gross misunderstanding and misinterpretation of biblical language, where the great drama of the end of time is regularly depicted by means of clickes such as the darkening of the sun and the moon,

carthquakes, falling stars, etc.
To take any one of these metaphors au pied de la lettre (even in a correct context) and construct upon it a chronological argument exemplifies, it would seem, the kind of naivete to which scientists inexperienced in historico-literary matters tend to be prone. In brief, the astronomical calculations of Humphreys and Waddington may be faultless, but they are totally beside the point Yours faithfully.

GEZA VERMES. The Oriental Institute. Pusey Lane, Oxford, December 27.

Freesheet troubles

From Mr L. J. Cope Sir. Having had similar experience to your correspondent, D. T. Brown (December 27), with a plague of local "freesheets", I feel that my method of dealing with this nuisance, having been wholly successful, might be of interest to others with

the same problem. In the first instance one telephones the office of the paper concerned, saying that the paper is not wanted and asking that the

distributor is notified. When the second copy is de-livered after the telephone call (allowing for any delays in communication) a letter is written to the reditor, by name if possible, threaten-ing him, and the distributor, with legal action unless delivery is stopped forthwith.

wish your readers similar Yours faithfully.

L. J. COPE, 54 Brownhills Road, Brownhills, Walsall, Staffordshire. December 27.

Book prize

From Mr M. E. Pountney Sir, We hate disappointing our customers, as I am sure you hate

misleading your readers.

E. J. Craddock's "Uncommon market" piece in your December 19 issue, about Open Market editions of paperbacks, risks causing both things to happen if it goes uncor-

At Heathrow, Terminal 3, and at all other airports, the only bookstall that sells Open Market editions (incidentally, with the active encouragement of the publishers) is the Airside stall; that is, the one on the outward side of Customs.

So, before your "canny readers" rush off to Heathrow or any other international airport they should be advised to be going somewhere and to have their passports with them. Yours faithfully, MICHAEL POUNTNEY.

Book Merchandise Controller, W. H. Smith & Son Limited. Strand House, 10 New Fetter Lane, EC4. December 21.

Video nasty

From Mr Adam Farndell Sir, Reflecting peacefully over a drink at a Kensington hostlery yesterday evening, my attention was drawn to a noisy new video game attracting regular custom from

enthusiastic younger patrons.

Essentially a "sboot-em-up" scenario, the maximum bonus score available to the player in his role as World War II fighter pilot is won by shooting down an intermittently appearing baled-out pilot, whose large white parachute is blatantly marked with a red cross!

What price our cherished heritage of fair play and diplomacy when we encourage such notions amongst our budding statesmen? Yours faithfully. ADAM FARNDELL, 4 Jonathan Court, Windmill Road, W4.

December 28,

COURT AND SOCIAL

SOCIAL **NEWS**

Princess Rupert von Preussen gave birth to a daughter on December 24.

Forthcoming marriages Mr D. W. J. Gill and Miss C. Dudley-Smith

The emperorn is announced between David William John, only son of Mr and Mrs F. D. Gill, of Farnborough, Hampshire, and Caroline, elder daughter of the Bishop of Thetford and Mrs T. Dudley-Smith, of Bramerton, Norwich.

Mr S. F. B. Cooke and Miss L. J. Coates

The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Mr and Mrs Nigel Cooke, of Huddersfield, and Lucy, daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Coates, of Maida Vale, London,

Mr D. F. Green and Miss F. L. Moffat

The engagement is announced between Duncan Franklyn, younger son of Mrs D. B. Green and the late Sydney John Green, of Floral Court, Ashtead, Surrey, and Fiona Leigh, daughter of Mr and Mrs David T. L. Moliat, of Fredley Park, Mickleham. Sorrey.

Mr Q. J. Heaney and Miss M. E. Beynon

The engagement is announced between Quintin John, son of Mr and Mrs J. B. Heaney, of Oldhouse, Wakes Colne, Essex, and Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. B. Beynon, of Solva, Dyfed.

Dr J. Langton and Miss C. Ely

The engagement is announce between Jeremy, son of Mr and Mrs. Derek Langian, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, and Carolyn, daughter of Mr and Mrs Cyril Ely, of Effingham, Surrey.

The engagement is aunounced between Harry, eldest son of Mr Peter Alexander Lendrum, of 27 Hays Mews, London, WI, and Mrs Richard Gaskell, of 42 Cheisea Park Gardens, London, SW3, and Wendy, younger daughter of Commander and Mrs Neal Hussey, of The Old Cottage, Old Bursledon, Hampshire.

Mr T. Martin and Miss S. Moffett

The engagement is announced between Tumothy, son of the late Mr. G. Martin, and Mrs C. Martin, of Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. J. Moffett, of Cooksey Green, Worcesterships

and Miss R. A. Clifford

The engagement is announced between Jervis, son of Mr and Mrs Stephen Rhodes, of Dulwich, London, and Rachel, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Clifford, of Churchill, Oxfordshire.

Birthdays today

Brigadier Sir John Anstey, 77; Mr David Atherton, 40; Mr John Bamborough, 63; Mr Michael Barratt, 56; Mr Victor Borge, 75; Lord Colyton, 82; Mr Fran Cotton, 36; Sir Alastair Forbes, 76; Mr R. Hanbury-Tenison, 59; Sir Errington Keville, 83; Miss Anya Linden, 51; Mr R. R. Steedman, 55; Mr David Vine, 48; Mr Michael Vyner, 31; Professor T. S. Willan, 74,

Neolithic find at Sutton Hoo

Neolithic flint slates and a flint arrow head have been found on the site of the Sutton Hoo ship burial mount near Woodbridge, Suffolk, proving continuous occupation of the site for a period of almost 4,000

Archaeologists have also found a copper ship's rivet while preparing for new excavations next spring.

Economic and Social Research Council The former Social Science Research

The former Social Science Research Council (SSRC) has changed its name and from today is the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC). The functions of the council are unchanged in promoting research and training in the social sciences in British universities, colleges of higher education and research institutes. education and research institutes The address of the council continues to be i Temple Avenue, London EC4Y OBD (Telephone 01-353

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include: Dr H. Peter Jost, the industrialist. be honorary industrial professor in the department of mechanical marine and production engineering at Liverpool Polytechnic.



Century of st

This year marks the centenary of the first naval nursing sisters to be appointed to Royal Naval hospitals. The need for trained nurses with the navy had been established by Mrs Bliza Mackenzie and her party of six nurses who worked at the naval base hospital at Therapia during the Crimea.

Subsequently eleven sisters

Subsequently eleven sisters joined the naval hospitals at Gosport, Hampshire, and at

In 1902 Queen Alexandra took them under her personal charge and the Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval



Explorer's gran in Antarctic survam

By Pearce Wright, Science

Doctors, scientists and a group of servicemen should be landing tholome if St Bartomorrow in one of the most School, ne of the inhospitable places on earth. They form an expedition that search sedical rewill conduct research into the will conduct research into the psychological stress of living and operating in extremely harsh conditions. But the bulk of their work

observations, and the study of terrestrial and marine life, and the hornal and the council Survey. mountaineering.
Their home for the next year

will be Brabant Island, Antarctica, where explorers have Expedit int Service landed only three times and never stayed long enough to establish a base.

The landing this week, led by Commander Christopher Furse. a Royal Navy marine engineering officer, is by one of two teams which will explore the island and its resources during the next 16 months. That will include making the first ascents of all the peaks up to 6,800 ft.

Temperatures range over the ice patrodurance, the year from 10°C to -40°C, with winds frequently exceeding cois de (es Mr Franhurricane force 12 The psychological tests on the roup will be made by De

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The p group will be made by Dr the first, who made _i) years ago.

Science report

When sows and piglets s By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

The common practice of cross-fostering newly born piglets may cause serious distress among both the piglets and the sows involved, according to a new study by Dr Ian Horrell, a lecturer in the department of psychology at Hull University.

It is rare indeed for any manumal to adopt sponta-neously, he points out. But among farm animals, especial ly pigs, cross-fostering is imposed on a regular basis, although little research has been done on the behavioural

A sow may produce as few A sow may produce as few as four or as many as 16 or even more piglets in a litter. But she will usually have only 12 or 14 teats, so herdsmen may transfer a few piglets from a large litter to a sow

nost times the pigiets want to feed. But, for at least a few hours after fostering, success-ful suckling periods may be reduced to only about a third of those attempted.

Piglets, too, are often disturbed by the change and seem to know that they are in the "wrong place". Even at one day old they appear to recognize their own "home",

own mecognize its cail. Well and her young by calls her not reser pigtets do natural readily are teat at one the same transfer time and, if their is mother sew, turbed item is dis-

Christmas birds find sanctuary

Wingshaven, the bird sanctuary at Sheffield Park, near East Grinstead, Sussex, has again given a new lease of life to turkeys, ducks and geese destined for the Christmas table.

Eighty of them, a record number, were brought to the sanctuary by owners who at the last minute shied away from "More and more people seem

to be turning away from the orgy of Christmas killing", said Mr Don Harrison, the Wingshaven warden. The birds were bought from markets and pet shops in the summer with the intention of fattening them up for the festive table. "But when it comes to the

crunch their owners have not had the heart to kill them and decided to give them away" he

New homes are being found for them as pets at schools, children's homes and hospitals.

Betjeman poems to cross the Atlantic with lone rower

Nineteen eighty four will be the year of the sea for Mr. Hugh King Fretts, a West Country sheep farmer who is in the final stages of pieparation to row single-handed across the Atlan-tic beginning in Tenerife later

The Atlantic crossing is intended by Mr King-Fretts, aged 35, to be the first leg of an epic solo voyage by rowing boat around the world So far, he has spent £20,000 planning and parparing for his "ultimate challenge"

Mr. King-Freits, who has a 135-acre farm on Exmoor in Devon, has received so little sponsorship for the trans-Aflanthe crossing that he is making the journey without a long-range radio. He therefore expects to be out of contact until he arrives in the West Indies 100 days or so after

About £12,000 has been spent on a specially designed and constructed 30ft long rowing

Docks, London today on a cargo boat heading for Tenerife.
Mr King-Fretts, a zoologist, is
unperturbed that he has completed only four hours of sea trials in Hulu off the south Devon coast and says his voyage holds no fears for him;

"I know how the boat handles and I know I can row it," he said: "My only apprehension will be the first few days. after leaving Tenerife. I want to get as far out to sea as quickly as possible so there is no chance of being blown backwards to the African coast. Then I will be able to relax a bit.

"I do not he awake at night worrying about it. I do not feel anything emotionally. I have just accepted it as the task for the next stage of my life." Mr King-Fretts will leave

Britain next week and start his long row from Tenerife on January 24 or 25 after pro-visioning Hulu with fresh food and water. On board will be 100 constructed 30ft long rowing days' supply of pre-cooked boat named Hulu; a Polynesian army rations, about 30lbs of word meaning "to overcome dried fruit and "roughage" and all". The boat will leave Tilbury about 100 gallons of water.

Navigation will be by sextant, and his only communication will be a short-range VHF radio which may enable him to give his position to passing shipping. He will be carrying a spare pair of oars a four-man liferaft with servival kit and two search and rescue beacons which will give his location if he needs

He intends to take along some books on Greek mythology and poems by John Betjeman. Otherwise, he hopes to keep a careful record of his progress and his thoughts in any snare time, he has between

rowing and sleeping.
Mr King-Fretts has been planning his Atlantic and round-the-world voyage for eight years. If the Atlantic leg is completed successfully, he intends to return to England to plan the next stage, a voyage in 1985 from the west coast of the Americas across the Pacific to Australia, a journey that could take nine emonths. Then, he would row homewards again across the Indian Ocean to the African coast.

Archaeology

Adding credibility to Dong Son legend

Victnamese enchaeologists have discovered a large early city near large early early earl miles) in circumference, and numerous brouze artefacts have been found.

The site, at Co Loz, is the largest which was centred on the Red River delta in the latter part of the first millennium BC. For half a century, discoveries of rich burlals in boat coffins, and of large bronze drums-bearing scenes of warrior aristocrats, have given increasing credibility to the legends of the Dong Son state, but the Co Loa urban site is the first

to indicate the complexity of its

there is an innermost enceinte which appears to be a citadel. The total area of Co Loa is The city is said to have been founded about 300 BC by the first ruler of the kingdom of Au Lac, which was conquered by the Chinese Han empire.

Recent excavations in the interior have recovered a superb bronze drum weighing 72kg (160 pounds) which would have required the

seven tonnes of copper ore. Inside the drum was a hoard of more than 100 socketed bronze ploughshares. Outside the southern gate of the city were found a cache of 10,000 bronze crossbow bolts.
The Victnamese excavations

have thus given substance to the legendary development of Southeast Asia's first civilization, and have shown that long before the arrival of the Chinese armies, the Viets had developed rice irrigation, achieved mastery over bronze casting, and initiated trade exchanges across the South China Sea and

westward to India. **Charles Higham** Professor of Anthropology. University of Otago, New Zeala

Whitehall brief

Des Wilson's war on secrecy

By Peter Hennessy

Mr. Des Wilson, Britain's leading campaigner, will de-clare war on Whitehall secrecy on Thursday when he launches the 1984 Campaign for Freedom of Information.

Gathered at the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors in Great George Street, just across the road from the Treasury, will be the Brigade of groups.
Some 25 organizations have

arrayed themselves under the son, who reckons his 42 years on earth have been but a preparation for this hour.

Speaking from his head-quarters, which he shares with his chief-of-staff, Mr Maurice Frankel, in the tattier quarter of King's Cross favoured by such enterprises, Mr Wilso says he has £50,000 pledged in cash or kind, more than enough

to sustain the assult on the secret citadel of Whitehall for a philosophy of pressure group-year. Mr Ralph Nader, the ing, with which he counters legendary advocate of consum causes in the United States, is on board as an adviser. "All that I have done before

I regard as a training exercise for this campaiga," Mr Wilson says. "I believe this will be the culmination of my campaigning career. In the 15 years since he

became director of Shelter, Mr Wilson has accumulated a chestful of campaigning medals; chairman of the Campaign for Lead Free Air and Friends of the Earth, membership of the national executive committees of the Child Poverty Action Group and the National Council for Civil Liberties, membership of the boards of the Green Alliance, this frenzy of



those such as Mrs Shirty Williams, and Sir William van Stranbenzee, MP, on the political front, and Sir Douglas Wass on the administrative front, who recken such bodies can distort the democratic process by wielding an influence disproportionate to their

Mr Wilson, who describes himself as "an advocate in the court of public uplulum - my causes are my clients", offers seven defences of his calling: Pressure groups fill a gap is

the democratic process by representing minority causes and keeping issues alive between elections. They offer the citizen an

alternative method of participation to membership political parties. They help to brief MPs whose support in staff terms is among the feeblest in the

● They combat "bad" (Mr Wilson's adjective) pressure groups like the car, aviation, and oil lobbies. ● They give issues stamina when press and politicians have

lost butarest. They give individuals the tools to be effective: for example, the concerned parent who could not remove lead from

• They are democracy's safety valve, relieving frastrations and reminding people of the possibility of peaceful, constitutional, change.
Mr Wilson realizes his freedom of information cam-

paign has a formidable op-ponent in Mrs Thatcher, whom he describes as "a simple, black-and-white thinker." intends to win skirmishes in the foothills - opening up local government, getting people access to personal files held on them by government – before launching the final assault. Des versus Margaret prom-

ises to be an epic worthy of Cecil B. De Mille. It opens on

OBITUARY SIR HAROLD THOMPSON Scientist and football administrator

Professor Sir Harold Thompson, CBE, FRS, who was Professor of Chemistry III Oxford University from 1964 to 1975, and subsequently Emeritus Professor, and whose scientific reputation rested on the immense work he carried out alone or in collaboration with others, in the field of infra-red spectroscopy, died on December 31. He was 75.

Outside the academic world Thompson was also widely known in football administration, having taken a life-long interest in the game. His involvement reached a climax when he became chairman of the Football Association Counlife vice-president.

Harold Warris "Tommy Thompson was born on February 15, 1908, at Wombwell in Trinity College, Oxford, and gained a first class in the Final Honour School of Natural Science (Chemistry) four years

His post-graduate work carried out with his tutor Hinshel-wood led to advances in the His energy, drive and leaderfields of homogeneous unimolecular gas reactions and the hydrogen-oxygen reaction. Proceeding to the Kaiser Wilhelm Institute at Berlin-Dahlem he worked for a period with so many tasks that the lesser Professor Fritz Haber, and was ones became neglected; but his granted the degree of Phil.D (Berlin).

He returned to St John's College as Official Fellow and Tutor in 1930 - an appointment he held until he became Professorial Fellow for 11 years from 1964. During this period he was Junior Dean and three times vice-president of the college and for the last 10 years, University Reader in infra-red spectroscopy. He was awarded the Oxford D.Sc. in 1954. In addition he took part, between 1949 and 1961, in the adminis-

tration of the university. During the Second World War he carried out chemical research for the Ministry of Supply and the Ministry of Aircraft Production. After the war he served on committees of the Scientific Advisory Council and Medical Research Council. From 1949-54 he was a member of the Chemical Research Board in the former Department of Scientific and Industrial Re-search; and from 1952-63 Scientific Adviser to the Home Office Civil Defence, Southern

Region. Forty years ago the subject of infra-red spectroscopy was lack-

equipped with instrumentation.



cil for five controversial years From the start Thompson tool from 1976. He then became a vigorous pioneering lead in a vigorous pioneering lead in development, and was soon recognized as a foremost autnority. He assisted greatly the petroleum industry, and his Yorkshire, and attended King advice and help were sought by Edward VII School at Sheffield. many organic chemists in In 1925 he was awarded an universities and firms. About advice and help were sought by Open Millard Scholarship at 300 papers published in the proceedings of scientific societies and journals came from his laboratory, and he also acted as editor of Spectrochimica Acta and of Volumes I

ship made a forceful impress-sion on people, as did his ability for organization and achieve-ment. Some found him difficult, and complained that he took on ones became neglected; but his hard-headedness Yorkshire made his judgments always

strong, sound and practicable. Thompson travelled and lectured widely overseas, and held prominent positions in various international bodies. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1946, and served as a member of the Council from 1959-64, becoming a vice-president in 1963-64 and again from 1965-71 when he acted as the Society's Foreign

Secretary. He was created CBE in 1959. and was knighted in 1968, and received numerous awards in Britain and abroad.

On the football field Thompson was a vigorous centre-half against Cambridge in the Oxford side of 1928-29, and did a great deal to foster the game in the university and outside. He founded the Pegasus Football Club and his drive and leadership was behind that club's achievements in amateur foot-ball in the 1950s. He was a life vice-president of the Amateur Football Alliance, and president for two years from 1969.

He married in 1938 Grace Penciope Stradling; they had a son and a daughter. David Miller: page 17.

ALEXIS KORNER

Alexis Korner, the blues musician and broadcaster, who died on January 1, at the see of 55, belonged to a generation which discovered the fascination of Afro-American blues and jazz immediately after the Second World War.

Born in Paris, bis mother Greek, his father an Austrian ex-cavalry officer, Korner travelled to Britain with his family aboard one of the last ships to leave France in 1940. It was while he was at St Paul's School that he came across records by those musicians - Albert Ammons was an early hero who were to provide him with both an ambition and a career.

He worked, in each case briefly for a shipping firm, for several record companies and for the BBC's World Service. But his energies really went into trying to play the guitar and sing like the great blues musicians he

One was Big Bill Broonzy, who stayed at Korner's home when he visited London. By now, Korner had married - his wife, Roberta, is the daughter of the art critic Robert Melville, and during the 1950s they had three children, Sappho, Nicho-las and Damian. He played guitar with the Ken Collyer skiffle group and later with

Chris Barber. By the end of the 1950s he and the late Cyril Davies were running the Roundhouse Blues Club above a public house in Brewer Street. Visiting Ameri-cans - Muddy Waters, Jimmy Rushing, Sonny Terry, Brownie McGhee - turned up there to sing for fun. That marked the beginning of British rhythm-

and-blues. This development became more visible on St Patrick's Day, 1962, when Korner and Davies opened a club at Ealing, jointly leading a band they called Blues Incorporated and which included the saxophonist Dick Heckstall-Smith and the drummer Charlie Watts, Also present at that opening were Mick Jagger (soon to sing regularly with the band) and Brian Jones.

Indeed, the Rolling Stones were really formed to deputize for Blues Incorporated while they did a broadcast for the BBC's Jazz Club. By then Blues Incorporated had moved to the

Mr Kenneth Blair Smith, senior partner of the Price Waterhouse European Firms, died on Christmas Day at the age of 46 in Brittany.

Mr Pierre Gabriel Jeannerat. OBE, for many years art critic of the Daily Mail, died on December 23.

Marquee Club (then underneath the Academy Cinema), playing music that could be said to merge Charles Mingus with Muddy Waters, and involving over the next few years such jazz players as Graham Bond,

Art Themen. Ray Warleigh, Jack Bruce, Danny Thompson and Phil Seamen. Performers who were then unknown and who sat in with the band included Paul Jones and Eric Clapton. While various protégés went on to enjoy fame and fortune, Korner suffered the handicap of being a pioneer. of doing something before the public had caught up with it. He continued to go his own way rather than to follow-up the latest trends. He rarely worked with a band after the 1960s, but was particularly fond of operating as half of a duo; his collaboration with the bass player, Colin Hodgkinson was

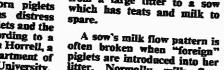
especially successful.
When Korner began singing blues, it was generally imagined that nobody who was not both black and American could master the craft. One of his achievements was to prove that wrong. But as well as being a singer and guitarist of emo-tional power, Korner was also a broadcaster and writer possess-ing wit and elegance; his Radio One programme reflected a civilized style as well as a special kind of erudition.

His personal tastes and behaviour were equally fastidious, whether in food and drink or in his critical watching of cricket and rugby (he had played for the British Army of the Rhine just after the Second World War). Above all, he was a man of great individual charm

Winston McCarthy, a New Zealand sports commentator, well known for his rugby broadcasts, died in Auckland on January 2. He was 75.

McCarthy also covered Empire and Olympic games and cricket Tests, and wrote several books about rugby.





A sow's milk flow pattern is often broken when "foreign" piglets are introduced into her litter. Normally milk flow starts a couple of minutes after the piglets have started to suck, and milk is produced most times the piglets want to feed. But, for at least a few

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Mr Maurice Frankel (left) and Mr Des Wilson in optimistic mood (Photograph: John Voos)

THE ART

The pleasures of the new-look Festival Hall could be dubi The deserving case of the 'i

people. Where once stretched acres of grey carpet desert, there are now merry little bars and foodstalls, knick-knack shops and a craft market. The fovers are bastling with activity instead of feeling perpetually like Heathrow at 3 am.

But the stream to stream? But the urge to "open" the South Bank - which has become Board, which manages grants made to the orchestras by the GLC and by the Arts Council. Soura Bank - which has become ever more obvious since Lan-rence Peterkin, the nominee of the present GLC, took effective However, orchestras can be influenced quite as readily by general atmosphere as by firm directive, perhaps more readily, and there is little doubt about the atmosphere as the atmosphere as the atmosphere as the atmosphere as the atmosphere at the atmosphere atmosphere at the atmosphere atmosphere at the atmosphere atmosphere atmosphere at the atmosphere control almost a year ago – also has its problematic aspects. Mr Peterkin has said that he has no intention of influencing the programmes that orchestras the atmosphere prevailing on the South Bank. choose to play at the Festival Nebody was very bashful, for

On the face of it, the Festival Hall has never looked brighter. It even has the appearance of a

place that positively welcomes people. Where once stretched

Television

Unsocial

clichés

Last night, on Beyond 1984 (BBC1), a barrister named Stephen Sedley came out with

the hysterical twaddle which this sort of series inevitably

leads one to expect. His heart, of course, was in the right places a state which computer-controls a state which computer-controls.

its citizens' destinies is rightly to be feared, as are secret courts and an autonomous and racist

Mr Sedley's head, however,

was stuffed with cliches of the kind which used to fill the pages

of the New Statesman when, in the late Seventies, that organ was itself in the grip of political

paranoia. The laws against

racism and sexism were of course "largely cosmetic"; so-ciety was suffering from an "unprecedented" division into

classes with differing legal rights (what a shame Mr Sedley did not to O-level English history);

"institutionalized racism" in schools weant black, workingclass children being IQ-tested by white, middle-class teachers

the state world soon be deciding both who could bear children and who could keep

them. Evidence? Ah, there really was not time. The subsequent panel discussion was not previewed: I trust he

Real life, on the other hand

was to be found in uncomfort-

able abundance in A Childhood

(Channel 4) despite the fact that

the home under scrutiny must

have harboured cameras and

camerapersons in every avail-

John and Rebecca, aged 10

and 11, live in Brixton with their mother and three elder

sisters, having recently flitted thither from Belfast. We saw the

round, with Gran playing a

ranch, whose rebellious occu-pants had sneaked out to buy

A telephone link was labori-

ously set up between a moder-

ately vandalized public booth

and Dad, loving from across the water. "How're you keeping?"

want to become motor mech-

anics, and yearn for Ireland.

Mum, for whom marriage in

ireland was a vale of tears, will

never go back. It would take a

remarkably sophisticated state

computer to get any purchase on these embattled lives, or

indeed to soften their hardship.

Amy (BBC 1), by Roger Milner, made a perfect New Year treat. Harriet Walter, with

by's directorial debut: unosten-

detail, and magic with Tiger

MUSICAL

ENTHRALLING:

ADELPHI THEAT

Michael Church

some hot chips.

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got a trouncing:

police force.

recently aumounced, and, in fervently denying that he wants to fill the Festival Hall with Tchaikovsky every night, Mr Peterkin lends support to the supposition that it is the GLC's aim to make programmes more "popular". Of course, it may well be that the GLC does not live to see much headway made in that direction. But even within two or three years the within two or three years the pattern of concert life in London

Hall, and there is no evidence of pressure being brought to bear, either directly or through the landon Orchestral Canadan Orch

A socialist economy, or even an ordinarily prudent one, should



Gifts from beyond: Balthus's 1938 Le Rêve and (right) Liliane Lijn's Feathered Lady in Electra

Paris galleries

A grand mysterious obsession

Balthus/Hans Bellmer Photographs

Centre Pompidou

Autour de Raphaël Louvre

electricity man call, quite routinely, to cut off their power. an equally routine family whip-Raphaël dans les collections major part, sent him away again françaises/Raphaël et l'art for 24 hours. Mum went out to francais/Tur sce her boyfriend, threatening four cracked jaws if there was any fighting. Angela Pope's film cut repeatedly from high life in the pub to high life back at the

Electra

Musée d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris

Saint Sébastien

Musée National des Arts et Traditions Populaires

"Alright" "Are you still at school?" "Yeah." "Every day?" "No, not every day," "Why?" "Some days Mum just keeps me off." John and Rebecca both Looking out of my train window in the gathering dusk at Annay-sous-Anneau, on my way to the airport, I suddenly saw a perfect Balthus. A linle stretch of street, bounded on all sides by cubist-looking blind walls, on the left a man in a raincoat, walking away, on the right two men talking and in the centre, most improbably, a little girl with a hoop. Was I, I wondered wildly for a moment, suffering from delusions? But no: as the train pulled away, the man with his back to me recorded into the distance, and the little girl vanished round a corner, bowling her hoop before her.

I am not sure what this shows. That

bruised, ardent gaze, was Balthus is, after all, a ruthless realist? perfectly believable in the part Perhaps. Or more likely that he is one of of Amy Johnson, as was Clive those artists who, once they have laid Francis as the caddish but claim to a certain territory of the mind for themselves, dredged it, perhaps, from the irresistible Jim Mollison. This depths of the unconscious, proceed to impress its image indelibly on external reality for everyone else to see. Certainly was the cameraman Nat Crostatiously meticulous period in the big Raithus retrospective at the Centre Pompidou (until January 23) one is very vividly conscious of being in the presence of a grand obsessive. Though by no means all of Baltur's paintings concern, as they are popularly supposed to, chunky nymphets in equivocal poses and curious states of undress, there is undoubtedly a strong element of that, saved (but sometimes only just) from being soft-core porn by the monumentality of the compositions and the pervasive mystery of the subjects, poised as most of them are on the edges of sleep and dream the sort of pubescent slumber, surely,

In any case, much the same subjects recur with slight variations: the dream messenger in the various versions of Le Rève is carrying different gifts from beyond, but the general import is the same. And Baithus was never one to hesitate to do a picture over again if he thought he could do it better - as witnesstwo major versions of La Rue. It is interesting to find that, even in his country landscapes, versions of other, more familiar paintings are secreted - the man with his back turned, walking resolutely several unlikely places, for instance, But what strikes one more than anything else in this show is the sheer beauty of Balthus's paint: the painstaking way that it is applied to suggest a faded, crumbling antique fresco without ever seeming like pastiche, the infinitely subtle, carefully basanced pale colouring gently suffusing the stiff yet strangely convincing poses of the characters who haunt this private

More and more frequently, I find, people engaged in the fruitless discussion of who now deserves the title of the greatest living painter seem to be mentioning the name of Balthus. It seems improbable, but looking round this exhibition one suddenly finds it a lot less improbable. Just think about it. Who else would you suggest?

Far removed from all this is the august spirit of Raphael, the five-hundredth anniversary of whose birth is being grandly celebrated with a number of exhibitions throughout France. Paris proper has three, all until February 13: at the Louvre Antour de Raphael, a dazzling collection of paintings and drawings from Raphael's milieu, and at the Grand Palais Raphael dans les collections françaises and Raphael at l'art français.

The main show of Raphael himself is perhaps a trile disappointing compared, for instance, with the British Museum's staggering show of his drawings. There are, it is true, a handful of masterpieces, but somehow the attention seems inexorably drawn away towards the dubious works and those once, sentimentally, attributed to Raphael by nineteenth-century taste. These make, though, a very useful preface to the nearby show illustrating the influence of Raphael on French art, which is totally fascinating as a document in the history of taste, with Raphael as the inkblot test at the centre, sublimely uncaring what later generations might make of his leading motifs or even his physical appearance (there are dozent of physical appearance (there are dozens of paintings ralated to the nineteenth-century myth of Raphael). Sometimes the relationships suggested seem a little far-fetched: after all, any mother-and-child is going faintly to resemble any other and, even if Degas did know Raphael et son

maître d'armes in the Louve connexion with his double portrair et Valernes seems strictly coincident it is a show which makes you thin react, and throws light on many besides Raphael - almost everythin Raphael, in fact,

Another artistic inkblot test is ex in Electra, the enormous show electricity and electronics in twen century art at the Musée d'Art Moder la Ville de Paris until February 5 enormous, trying to cover too much there are several sections that look popular electronics show at Olympia a hard day. But any exhibition introd by Fontana's beamiful neon ceiling-ii lation, and featuring the recent wor Liliane Lijn, Jan Van Munster and Sa cannot be all bad. Moreover, there are historical sections, inspired no doub the permanent presence in the galler Dufy's giant mural for the 1937 exposi La Fè Electricité.

Elsewhere in Paris the large and terms of French taste, epoch-making si of Turner, sponsored by the Bri Council, continues to draw the lar crowds - larger even than Raphael - at Grand Palais (until January 16). At Palais de Tokyo an informal show of i acquisitions for the forthcoming Mu d'Orsay (on indefinitely, it would see amazes by the variety and quality of materials, especially in such unlikely ar as nineteenth-century British painting a fin-de-siècle French academic art. T photographs of Hans Belimer at Centre: Pompidou (until February provide a useful stalking-horse Balthus, in that Bellmer's semi-surreal obsession with tied-up women, wheth actual or symbolized through dolls ar store dummies, though it aspires towa art, remains somehow too insistently the realm of the grubby mackintosh. An out at the Musee National des Arts of Traditions Populaires there is yet anothe inkblot show, entitled Saint Sébastien Rituels et Figures (until April 16).

To medieval adheemts Cabestian was

To medieval adherents Sebastian was considered most effective against plague and when depicted in art often just demurely held a single arrow to denote his fate. With the Renaissance and the Baroque it was all agony and ecstasy, dubiously intertwined. For the decadents—notably Morean, D'Annunzio and Debussy - he became par excellence the genius of the perverse. And what now? The show, scrupulously historical, does not tell us, but Alfred Courmes is not the only living French painter to be obsessed with the legend. Why? The show poses the question, and leaves us to decide for

John Russell Taylor

Taverner Consort

that gives rise to poltergeists.

Wigmore Hall

And now, the Taverner Consort's New Year revolution: minimalist Bach. The theory of Joshua Rifkin, propounded in America a couple of years ago and more recently in *The* Musical Times, that Bach's choruses were no such things but actually collections of solo voices, has met with a somewhat dusty reception from musicologists. On the other hand, the practical demonstration of this theory in Rifkin's recording of Bach's B minor Mass has been rather well received. Andrew Parrott, this Gloria - rewriting the two

performances (witness his B minor Mass at the Proms), and on Sunday night took the idea to its logical conclusion.

Bach's short Mass in G (BWV 236) and the fifth cantata

from the Christmas Oratorio were presented with one singer and one instrumentalist to each part, whatever the rights and wrongs of the idea, the result was an unqualified delight. It was easy to imagine the Mass sounding from some provincial German organ loft, and the brilliant resourcefulness with which Bach reduced the opening chorus of his grand Refor-mation Cantata, No 79, to form the Taverner's director, is horn parts in the opening for convinced by both the theory convinced by both the already amply justified the solventure in the arias, they were lively and and the practice; he has already amply justified the solo-style incisive in the choruses.

Concert experimented with extensive performance. There are few more complicated Bach textures

excitingly projected.

At the close of the Mass, the At the close of the Mass, the reworked opening chorus of Cantata No 17 was triumphantly effective, and, earlier, the dancing rhythms of "Ehre sei dir, Gott" from the Christmas Oratorio, aided by some sparkling oboe d'amore playing were invigorating. Tessa Bonner (who stood in for Emma Kirkby (who stood in for emina Airkby in the "choral" parts of the concert) was outstandingly good; Mary Nichols brought apt fervour to her recitatives; and, while Nicholas Robertson and

There is no reason why much more Bach should not be heard than the stretto fugal entries at the climax of this superb movement, and here they were both lucidly clarified and of the texture a little, but there are the superbounded of the texture a little, but there are the superbounded. were no real problems of balance in this clear acoustic.

Emma Kirkby saved her voice for a couple of Purcell songs from The Fairy Queen, nicely turned; John Holloway demonstrated how natural and expressive florid ornamentation in Corelli's slow movements can sound; and David Staff bravely essayed trumpet sonatas by both Corelli and Purcell: a good idea to set Bach in the context of music that preceded him. Size of audience and enthusiasm of reception were anything but minimal

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known language; an unknown piece by an unknown composer might be anything. If the GLC were to embark on a series of Unpopular Concerts, they would do best, therefore, to choose their repertory from exactly that area of music that is at present most poorly represented in most poorly represented in South Bank programmes; name-Source Bank programmes: namely, contemporary work. And, if socialist arts bosses feel the need to justify themselves, they can most readily do so by putting resources into events

where the box-office returns are likely to be negligible...

There is no reason why, though, support for contemporary music, or for anything else, should be doled out anthinkingly. It is a commonplace to say that state and local authorities have now replaced princes and prelates as the great patrons of the arts, but there is important difference: Eszterhazys actually cared what Haydn wrote. Quite what would happen if this kind of discipline were to be exerted by the leaders of the Arts Council and the GLC I am not sure. But, if it were matched by a real involvement in antisparing the out of ment in enlivening the art of music, and not just the interiors of concert halls, it might be interesting.

Theatre in New York hine through the clouds



Jessica Tandy: power and virtuosity

lets us see why Tom and his tin and Mina in Richard father leave her but, from Thomas and Katherine Cortez. coquettish to maternally loving and a weird Trigorin in Judd to sensually alive when she Hirsch (who plays with a speaks of her husband, she is Yiddish accent, as if the kin to an aging Scarlett O'Hara .character had emigrated to New as well as a stronger Blanche DuBois. She can show more emotion with one line - a cry of triumph at selling a magazine subscription followed by a sigh at having to do it - than most performers in whole scenes. Even when girded by detractions, Jessica Tandy's Amanda has the fascination of that rare combination of star power and

acting virtuosity.

A musical about parenthood, Baby follows an unmarried student couple, a middle-aged pair with grown children and an infertile couple through the stages of (or attempts at) pregnancy. The six actor-singer principals at music by David Shire is melodic and Richard Maltby Jr's lyrics are pensive (especially the middle-aged husband's song about it being easier to love an unquestioning child than a

Even with its screen projections of biological stages of growth, however, the show's aspirations at universality are thwarted by the total WASPish-ness of the couples. Some ethnic/social variety might have given the characters and music texture and variety. As it is, the musical plays like a repetitious and overlong revue.

Off-Broadway has not been able to feel superior to the Great White Way in recent weeks. A much-anticipated Sea Gull by the Circle Repertory Company - consistently the most able

shrewishness, she town - has an ardent Konstan York's Lower East Side, thought better of it, and returned), but was otherwise so flat as to enhance Chekhov's reputation for being boring.

CSC (City Stage Company) the intrepid group that last season produced both parts of Goethe's Faust for the first time in America - is presenting the entirety of Botho Strauss's Big and Little in a new translation by the company's ertistic director, Christopher Martin. thereby righting previous wrongs of bowdlerized versions previous done here and in London. As Strauss's Everywoman, Karen Sunde imprints a haunting face on all the bag world. The one outstanding pro-

duction in town since Peter Brook's Carmen happens to be right under it, in the little theatre (the Newhouse) at Lincoln Center. C. P. Taylor's . . . and a Nightingale Sang features several of the actors from the American première at Chicago's Steppenwolf Theater and has been directed with uncanny seamlessness (for a play combining narration and action) by Terry Kinney. Among the nearly flawless cast. Joan Allen as Taylor's heroine-a sort of Laura Wingfield who overcomes her limp and her complexes - is so luminous that her New York debut brightens the season like sun glistening upon snow.

Holly Hill



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So far only Liverpool's Radio City has a quote, but Radio Clyde, Glasgow's much-admired operator, said last week that it expects to make its debut next month. Radio Clyde is easily Scotland's biggest commercial station and compares in size with Radio City and Piccadilly.

It has an audience of up to 2 million and is one of the country's most successful stations, both in terms of its successful planning to transfer from Rule 163 (2a) to the USM as soon as its revealed its dispute with the

Unlike many commercial stations, Radio Clyde has made

The company a profit every year since it went on the air in 1973 and has just on the air in 1973 and has just had its franchise renewed by the Independent Broadcasting Authority. There were no other contenders for the franchise. Advertising revenue rose by almost 29 per cent last year and profits, helped by a big improvement at the Clyde

Only 5 per cent of the non-voing shares will be placed. There are currently about 75 Sharcholders, including Scottish Television, Clydesdale Bank Scottish Expiress

Many a New Year cel-chation will testify to the strength of Gibbs, Mew's extra strong ales, including such names as Moonraker Brown Ale, Witshire Traditional and The Bishop's Tipple, so its debut today would appear well timed.

award-winning programmes it sculed its dispute with the Stock Exchange over current

The company will not be raising any extra money from the introduction, being bandled by its own broker, Buckmaster and Moore, but hopes that the shares, now standing at 180p. will become more marketable and make expansion easier.

issue.
Last year, pretax profits reached £413,000, but following

would yeild 1.8 per cent.

Gibbs owns 59 pubs, the majority of which are in a 40-mile radious of the brewery and of these, only nine are managed, while the rest are run by tenants.

The only black mark against the group's trading performance has been Robert Porter, which it for its Bulldog beer, suffered losses of £470,000 in 1982 following a move to new

in the current year. Last week's deal between the troubled property developer, Crouch Group, and the USM's Federated Housing proved to be

ruary 15. next year, followed by £1.75m the following July and the balance by April 15, 1985.

In addition, Mr Peter Meyer. Ravensdale Securities, and chairman of Federated, will Statham Duff Stoop, a broker, which brought Metal Sciences to market this year.

Statham has since resigned and Laine and Cruickshank has stake in Federated in return for 1.8 million shares. Following the share-swap, Mr Meyer, and his family, will own about 55 per cent of Federated's capital.

little changed on the week at Advertising revenue rose by almost 29 per cent last year and make expansion easier.

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another step towards the current year another step towards the current year. Metal Sciences, the shot-blasting grit manufacturer, ended the year on a bright note, rising 2p to 23p, still reflecting the confidence of Sir Monty Finniston, the share price of Gibbs has grown a from 20p to 180p, where the shistoric fully-taxed P/E ratio stands at 50.7. For the current year, Buckmaster expects that to fall to 23.1, where the swould veil. It is months the current payment of £750.000. from £574,000 to £1.05m for

This move follows a row earlier this month between the group's financial adviser, Ravensdale Securities, and Statham Duff Stoop, a broker, which brought Month Statham Duff Stoop, a broker,

and Laing and Cruickshank has now been appointed as the group's broker.

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY **Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet**

All the President's men but no Fed support

The American President now approaches the second greatest political challenge of his career - his reelection campaign. Yet, due to decisions he has made, he is unable to count on the Federal Reserve Board to count on the Federal Reserve Board to cooperate in the overall planning of his reelection strategy. He cannot count on it as a reliable part of his team.

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Two crucial decisions by the President have contributed to this serious situation. First, there was his decision to reappoint Mr Paul Volcker as Fed chairman, And second, there was his decision to appoint President Martin to the position of vice-chairman of the Fed when Mr Frederick Schults retired.

These decisions by the President meant that the two most senior officials of the Fed were men who have been opposed to the policy line suggested by the President's own officials in the Treasury.

In one set of critical policy decisions made by the Fed, the treasury officials have already proved to be correct in their strong dissent from Fed policy

Many of today's problems in money management go back to the Fed's decision in 1982 to institute an explosion in money growth.

Early last year, the treasury economic policy officials, led by Mr Beryl Sprinkel, Under-Secretary of the Treasury, pre-dicted that there would be double-digit growth of nominal gross national product in 1983. This was also the view taken by the shadow open market committee and it was a view strongly endorsed in our American Notebook

The Fed economic policy officials, led by President Martin and including Governor Wallich and Mr Stephen Axilrod, argued that the people would want to hold more money, not to spend it and accordingly the course in morey Mi and accordingly, the surge in money M1 growth would translate into only a modest stimulant to economic growth.

This view by Fed officials has proved to be disastrously wrong. As a result, the US has seen a powerful surge of economic expansion, which has threatened to turn into an inflationary boom. Panicked by the consequences of their own policy, Fed officials are now saying that inflation is the big danger and that they must "lead against the wind" by maintaining their policy of a freeze on banks' reserves which has been in force since April.

Once again, there is a split between the Treasury and the Fed. As is evident from the public statements of treasury officials such as Mr Donald Regan, Secretary of the Treasury and Mr Manuel Johnson, assistant secretary for economic policy, the treasury officials believe the present Fed policy is only restrictive and, if maintained will lead to a sharp decline in

early second quarter of 1984, The "consensus" forecast of a 45 per cent rise in gross national product this year is the expected growth in the second year of a recovery, after the normal 76 per cent rise in the first year.

The president's problem is that Mr Volcker and President Martin, the two



Volcker: committed to fight inflation



Sprinkel: strong dissent proved correct



Regan: condemning Fed's restrictive policy

men he appointed about a year ago, are utterly committed to the prevailing official Fed line. That line is that inflation is still the main danger. It is true that inflation is a very serious danger. It is so because of the Fed's ill-advised policy of extravagant monetary growth in 1982-83. Nothing will that inflation is going to be a serious problem this year and next, although there are some secular influences

that may moderate the impact of inflation.
But having said that, there is the
problem of zero economic growth in the US this year. And the men who are supporting and leading this dangerous policy are the ones whom President Reagan unwisely appointed.

Brick defences under attack

Hanson Trust's formal offer document to back its £170m bid for London Brick

Lord Hanson, chairman of Hanson to back its £170m bid for London Brick

Trust and a proven winner after takeover Hanson Trust's formal offer document made interesting reading over the New Year and should liven the market for the two companies' shares when the City gets back to work this morning.

Hanson pulls no punches in its attack on London Brick's performance. London Brick's profit record over the five years 1978 to 1982 could "at best be described as unexciting," Hanson says. Pretax profits were down from £14.1m in 1978 to £10.7m in 1980 before recovering to only £15.3m in 1982.

It is expected that London Brick's results for 1983 will be considerably better than for 1982, Hanson admits. But the profits record and fluctuations in the fletton brick market, Hanson questions whether the progress will be maintained. in particular, Hanson asks whether City estimates of £24m pretax profits at London Brick this year will be the result of one-off stock profits and rationalization.

successes such as UDS and Ever Ready, also points out that the 120p per share offer compares with the 75p market price for London Brick in August.

Against this, London Brick will be able 10 use the £24m profits forecast as the mainstay of its defence, with a 50 per cent increase in the dividend a strong possibility.

London Brick's arguments are less convincing when they move to the grounds for a referral of the bid to the Monopolies Commission. The bid is before the Office of Fair Trading which will make a decision on referral before first closing date of Hanson's offer on January 20.

Given these arguments, the only certainty is that Hanson is likely to come back with a higher offer than 120p with or without a monopolies investigation which must be seen as opening shot by

cording to Mr Parker.

In the same issue of Coal and

Energy Quarterly, the head of the NCB's research establishment, Dr A. D. Dainton, examines research into liquid

fuels from coal and concludes that the NCB's own project has

estimates cut

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

Estimates of coal's importance as a primary fuel until the end of the century have been revised downward to take into account the effects of economic of the major demand centres for coal. Supplies will come from

The World Coal Study - on which producers such as the National Coal Board base long-

term plans - now estimates that by the year 2000 world trade in

steam coal could be between 250 million and 500 million

tonnes a year. Previously the study had estimated demand

between 300 million and 680

Although the study has been

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Saudis back

Riyadh (Reuter) - Saudi Arabia's balance of trade swung back into surplus in the third quarter of 1983 after two quarters in deficit. Western Europe will be one of the major demand centres for coal. Supplies will come from the US, South Africa, and even Colombia, which will grow as a major world coal trader as its mining industry develops' according to Mr Parker.

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The country achieved a surplus of 14.53 billion rivals (about £2.86 billion) after a deficit of 3.26 billion rivals in the second quarter and a deficit of 102 billion in the first. of 1.03 billion in the first.

billion rivals.

An increase in oil exports in the third quarter was the most

US companies built more cars last year than in any other year since 1979, according to a trade journal. Domestic car makers assembled about 6.77 million vehicles - 33.6 per cent

industry rose by 7 per cent in real terms in November com-pared with November, 1982.

Broker col as danger

The public sector borrowing requirement has become a "dangerously misleading" measure of the Government's fiscal policy, the stockbroking firm Laing and Cruickshank says in its economic and monetary review today.

The firm says that borrowing for productive investment by state industries should be excluded and the impact of unemployment and inflation

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unemployment and inflation acknowledged.

There was little change to the PSBR in cash terms between 1979-80 and 1983-84. But the deficit of central and local government which excludes loans to nationalized industry – after taking out sales of council houses and other assets – has jumped by £7,000m, the firm's

though it remains tight in absolute terms, Laing and Cruickshank says, adjusting for

Insurance

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By Andrew Cornelins

The Prudential Corporation -

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annual premiums to £310.3m. Much of the increase stemmed

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surance-linked mortgages; this was also the main reason for a 27 per cent rise, to £100.4m in new individual annual pre-

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Overseas new annual pre-miums climbed from £7m to £34.9m,

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NewYork (Reuter)
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royalty trust.

In the letter, a copy of was obtained by Reuter. A

£54m leg-up sought tor projects By Our Correspondent

The Scottish Development Agency said in Glasgow yester-day it had received 80 requests for aid under the second round of its scheme named (Local Enterprise Grants for Urban

The development value of projects, if they all go ahead for will total £54m and the applicants are requesting £10m

Plans which have been submitted include a multi-million-pond city centre redevolop-ment in Glasgow, a leisure, centure, several hotels, industrial and commercial warehous

The SDA will announce the successful applicants in the next

LEG-UP was set up last year to assist urban initiatives in Scotland, which would create jobs or impove environm and social conditions. Most of the aid is expected to

Most of the and is expected to take the form of low-interest loans and equity participation. In the first round, nearly £6m was committed to 35 projects—and, as a result, 1,500 jobs will either created or safeguarded.

Applications forthe third round of LEG-UP funds must be received before the end of be received before the end of

NEWS IN BRIEF

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The country has a surplus for the whole of 1982 of 131.7

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for more 72 per cent of ects liquidations. cent had 6.123 liquidations - 49 per cent of the total. In 1982 the rise region accounted for 53 per

Retailing had the highest number of company failures with 3,017 liquidations – 8,5 per cent up on 1982 and almost a

quarter of all liquidations. Doomsday postponed, page 16

Maynards defence due soon

By Jonathan Clare

The defence document from Maynards, the sweet and toy company, against Mr Lewis Cartier's partial bid worth £6.3m is expected this week. the Last week Mr Cartier explained what had gone wrong with Cartier Sports and Leisure. a little-known retail company which shut up shop in March

1982 after disastrous trading. The episode is not mentioned n his offer document for Maynards under the section dealing with "My previous experience in retailing", an omission which some City

observers say is unfortunate. Mr Cartier said that after he and his fellow directors sold out the highly successful Cartiers Superfoods chain to Tesco in 1979 for nearly £20m they took back a supermarket in north London on a 10-are site because

it had no planning permission Some former Cartiers Superfoods executive did not want to oin Tesco and set up Cartier Sport and Leisure in buildings next to this site with a second outlet to sell a complete cross-section of leisure goods from football boots to hi-fi. At the time. Mr Cartier said he thought the idea could grow into a 50-strong chain within

ECONOMIC VIEW

Jobless may fall again

The unemployment figures for December, due on Thursday, are likely to provide the main focus of interest for economy watchers this week, while the dollar will be the centre of attention for the financial markets.

for more 72 per cent of liquidations.

London and the South-East had 6,123 liquidations – 49 per cent of the total. In 1982 the region accounted for 53 per cent.

Creditor's voluntary liquidations reached 7,897, an increase of 6,7 per cent over 1982. Compulsory winding-up orders also increased by more than 22 per cent from 3,728 in 1982 to 5,569 last year.

Bankruptcies among individuals, firms and partnerships rose to 6,821 last year – up 25 per cent over 1982.

Retailing had the highest companies' appropriation account for the third quarter (Thursday) and November final car and commercial vehicle production (Friday).

STOCK EXCHANGES

CHANGE ON WEEK FT Index: 775.7 up 0.7 FT Gilts: 83.12 down 0.03 FT All Share: 470.5 up 1.26 Bargains; 17,014 **Datastream USM Leaders** Index: 97.89 up 2.19 New York: Dow Jones Industrial Average: 1259.55

Tokyo: Nikkel Dow Jones index 9893.82 up 209.65 Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 874.94 up 7.64 Amsterdam: 161.6 up 3.8 Frankfurt: Commerzbank index 1041.7 up 10.0 Brussels: General Index 136.16 down 0.28 Paris: CAC Index 156.7 up

Zurich: SKA General 316.90 up 4.1

CURRENCIES LONDON

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ECGD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period November 2 to December 6, 1983 inclusive: 9.350 per cent. **BOARD MEETINGS**

INTEREST RATES

TODAY - Interims: Aim Group, Delmar Group and TSB Gilt Fund (quarterly), Finals: Winterbottom Energy Trust.

HURSDAY - Interims: Electronic

TOMORROW - Interims: Hollas Group, Mountleigh Group, Radiant Metal Finishing and T R City of Ondon Trust (second quarterly dividend). Finals: None.

ntais, Howden Group. Finals: growth, trade in steam coal is investment of £1 billion at 1983 likely to grow substantially prices. Patron and Philip.

Energy Quarterly that despite the generally more pessimistic outlook for world economic outlook for world economic from coal could be brill with an investment of all littles.

Although the study has been revised downward, its projections for coal consumption are still far in excess of present world demand, which in 1982 totalled 90 million tonnes a calculated at a 2.5 tonne a day Mr Michael Parker, head of pilot plant for which a design the NCB Central Planning Unit, contract has recently been says in the latest Coal and placed Studies already

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by Richard Sharpe

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

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Orwell's year, the forecasters the summer of 1982, the impact would grind to a halt in 1984 for growth of 2 to 3 per cent, similar to 1983, accompanied by a rise in the number of jobs in the economy and stable to lower inflation.

The Treasury's November prediction of 3 per cent growth this year after 3 per cent in 1983, coupled with a drop in inflation to 4.5 per cent by next Christmas, looks on the high side but not impossibly so. Other forecasters have also begun to take a more cheerful

The differences between the forecasters rest chiefly on what they think is going to happen to consumer spending this year.

> Consumer spending power will rise less quickly

Spending raced ahead in 1983, up by perhaps 3.5 per cent from 1982, far outpacing the slight rise in real after-tax incomes (adjusted for inflation). A big increase in real take-home pay for those in work was largely offset by still growing numbers of umemployed.

The consumer boom was fuelled instead by a credit explosion as families went ever slack created by a slow down in deeper into debt to finance spending, especially on durables from 3.5 to 2.5 per cent this and video recorders. The savings ratio - the proportion of income left unspent - has fallen to 8 per cent, the lowest for 12 years, from more than 12 per cent in the first half of 1982.

The more pessimistic forecasters, notably the National Institute for Economic and Social Research, do not expect this spree to be sustained. The optimists, the Government another matter. But by late last

The drop in the savings ratio

tell us, is going to be a good year of which must now be wearing for the economy. Fears last off, the fall in inflation which reduced the amount of money companies to about steep rises people had to put aside companies to about steep rises people had to put aside to in commodity press there is maintain the value of their savines - the so-called maintain to sign of any statening in the have faded. Most are looking maintain the value of their savings - the so-called "wealth effect"; and lower interest rates

Linemployment has stabiwhich both made credit cheaper and, by lowering the mortgage rate, boosted families' spending

The Treasury's forecast relies heavily on a further decline in inflation. It expects real aftertax incomes to rise this year, as pay outstrips prices and more people get jobs. And it believes lower inflation and interest rates will allow the savings ratio

to edge down once more. But if, as most forecasters believe, inflation and interest rates remain close to present levels, there will be less scope for lower savings and people's spending power will rise less

The more gloomy suggest that, with consumer indebtedness at record levels and discretionary net saving (ex-cluding regular commitments to pension and life insurance funds) close to zero, families will hesitate to go deeper into debt, although they show little sign of this so far.

Since consumer spending accounts for nearly 70 per cent of total national output, these differences of opinion explain much of the discrepancy between forecasters on what will happen to the economy as a whole.

The Treasury expects the the pace of consumer spending year to be taken up by increased exports and investment. The world economy is expected to pick up. especially in Europe where more than half Britain's exports now go. And a big improvement in company profits has left them with plenty of cash with which to rebuild stocks and invest in plant and

Whether they do so is among them, think it will, year things definitely seemed to be going the Government's way. Wage settlements continued to stemmed from three factors: the slow – although only gently, and they remain above inflation.

Rapid improvements productivity have kept unit labour costs down and allowed

lized and the number of jobs has begun to ns. with an increase in minufacturing employment in Oraber for the first time in more than four years. The latest official survey of investment intritions suggests a sharp innusce in capital spending in 1984 including a 9 per cent jump in manufacturing

There are clear signs of recovery in Europe, exports are gaining after a poor year, and buoyant invisible carnings have kept Britain in healthy surplus on the balance of payments

> Underlying inflation stuck at about 5%

despite a widenite 230 On nonoil trade and the first deficit on manufactured into since the industrial revolution. The £1.3 billion surplus morded in the first eleven mosths of 1983. after revisions to invisible receipts, now make the Treasury's predictions only a ew weeks ago for a surplus of £500m in 1983 faling to zero in

1984 look slightly adiculous. Nevertheless, balance of payments forecas are notoriously unreliable and are perhaps best used simply is a guide to trends. On this basis, nine forecasters expect the current account to determate, mainly because they think continuing growth will sak in large quantities of imports, against five who think it will improve because home production will

meet more of thedemand. The Treasury's forecast of 4 per cent growth in exports this spread agreement

domain. He needs to make progress towards his longer term objectives if these are to be achieved by the time the next election comes round in four

He has made it clear that he will aim for price stability (though not necessarily zero inflation and not necessarily by the end of this Parliament, he has said.) But the underlying inflation rate remains stuck at about 5 per cent.

Pay settlements, even with 3 million unemployed, are too high for comfort - and may not fall further if, as the Government hopes, unemployment begins to decline this year.

know-how about information The swift growth of pro-ductivity which has helped to technology. "Every large user of systems offset wage costs is expected to is being bombarded with slow. And world inflation, according to the OECD, is likely to stabilize in 1984 at about 5.5 information on new developments," Butler explains. "They have to keep up to date with what it all means, and the Foundation offers an impartial

Nevertheless, Mr Lawson needs to hold down public spending and achieve steady growth over the next few years of about 2.5 per cent a year - if he is to create the headroom he needs for a significant reduction in taxation.

Here the forecasters have little cheer to offer. With few exceptions (which do however include the London Business School whose thinking on the economy is very close to that of the Treasury) they expect growth to peak this year and then slow sharply next year to perhaps 1 to 1.5 per cent, pushing unemployment higher

They see the consumer boom finally running out of steam. One or two, like Hoare Govett, think the Government will tighten money and fiscal policy to dampen overheating. And they see increasingly unfavourable developments in the US, where huge budget deficits are expected to clash with tight money to drive interest rates up, slowing not only the American but the world econ-

computing, and in 1977 they set Will Mr Lawson's "winning up their own consultancy, and steady growth look a runner Mr Nigel Lawon, the Chan-cellor, will not however be find comfort in knowing that the answer lies out of his bands. entity, but for practical reasons is a division of the consultancy. complacent as he surveys his the answer hies out of his hands.

Fewer jobs, more skills needed in insurance

The start of the year is traditionally a period for crystal ball gazing, and in a report published today the British insurance industry comes under WEEK close scrutiny.

It forecasts a major shake-up over the next few years, brought about largely through the continuing use of information

technology. There will be a growing umber of company mergers in the £18,000m business with fewer staff and more sales points offering a wider selection

of services. The report. The Adoption and mpact of IT in the UK Insurance Industry, published by the Technical Change Centre, shows that the continuing use of computers will enable ompanies, particularly those in the fast growing life and pensions field, to increase ousiness while maintaining low staff levels.



by Geoffrey Ellis

extensive computer power.

will become available with more flexibility and cheapness brought about partly through staff cuts. Many companies have already cut margins to the

A greater selection of services

marketplace through publicising the high-tech nature of their

Many branches will be slimmed down to small sales iuteractive terminals to converse with

administrative main-frames. The industry followed the well tried path into wholesale computing, first moving from batch processing, through to on-line enquiries to central databases and now to integrated networks. Most companies have settled on IBM equipment and this is now becoming almost an industry standard, with the companies becoming increasingly dependent on IBM's

development strategy. With computers beginning to generate and refine new products, the insurance industry should provide a classic case study for historians. for future computer

the system from the point of view of the unskilled operator is not given the same attention. Yet a "mistake" made by an operator who is not a computer expert is often at the root of many malfunctions. A lot of work has been done on how computer systems should present information, choices and actions to the operator. The whole subject, however, is mainly approached by the industry as a worthy

cause that it puts alongside designing systems for the disabled or providing training. All are considered worthy subjects but none of them get the attention they deserve.
Although the UK has the highest concentration of personal computers per head of population in the world, it is still possible for officials to blame the computer for an error, without examining who

designed the system. As there is no set method of entrance to the industry with an institution setting the standards, the design of appropriate prompts, displays and choices for the untrained user is often picked up rather than taught.

A lot of the software produced for personal computers depends on the enthusizsm of the hobby user. Often it is so badly designed that only the truly enthusiastic user would put up with it. The prompts are cursory, the manuals often illiterate and the screen layouts cither a maze or a flat listing,

This is a healthy reaction to the very poor service many managers have received from their central data processing departments. But in taking a knock at the central data processing log jam they are also falling into the trap of bad design which will continue as ong as computer system design-

COMPUTER

technology. Previously only clerical workers were involved. but an increasing number of administrative and professional stall are now affected. The result of this change will mean fewer middle-range skills being needed and more work being undertaken by highly skilled professionals supported by a small administrative staff and

ingly rely on selling their

More staff will be affected by

Just like

a club

by Roger Woolnough

David Butler and George Cox

have shown that you need not

be a millionaire to create a

foundation. Admittedly, the Butler Cox Foundation distri-

butes no cash to worthy causes.

but some would consider its

stock-in-trade just as valuable:

An unusual feature of the

Butler Cox approach is that the

members decide what infor-

mation they need. "It's a very

strong participative organis-ation," says Cox. "The mem-

bers have a very strong say in

The framework of the Foun-

dation is that for a flat fee (a

hefty £8,300 a year in Britain)

members receive six research

reports on subjects they have helped to select. The areas

covered are, broadly, computer

systems, telecommunications

International conferences are

held, there are study tours, and

there are national activities in

each country where the Foun-

"The basic aim is to be a club

of corporations, not of individ-uals," Butler says, "and mem-bers regard it as a club. That is

one reason why it has been so

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George Cox and David Butler: an impartial view

symbolic," smiles Butler. "We wanted a consultancy which would be highly knowledgeable, and we have to have a mechanism which refreshed our knowledge.

The Foundation, Cox adds, enables them to collect a vast amount of information and place a perspective on it. The two men decided that if

the concept was to get off the ground their only chance was to announce it, and hope companies would respond. It was risky, for they could hardly hold conferences with only two or three members. Initial response

was not encouraging.

I used to do telephone Butler, "because it was so allowed in.

depressing, and I didn't want anyone at the office to know. Then I was speaking to one prospect and he said they were joining. Within a week we had five contracts."

Membership had grown to 14 by the end of the first year, and has now passed 160. It includes users, suppliers and government bodies, both in Britain and abroad. The five-year plan aims at about 300 members by 1987, two-thirds outside Britain, Gemany, the US and Australia are major targets.

But while looking for growth, both David Butler and George Cox are concerned to retain the Foundation's club-like characfollow-ups from home," recalls ter. Not everybody will be

National Computer Competition

Later this month, following the success of The Times Classroom Computer Competition which attracted thousands of entries, Computer Horizons will launch a national competition which will be open to all. The aim of the competition is to find the best original use of a microcomputer for a socially useful purpose, which could be a novel computer program to the innovative use of a computer peripheral. Contestants, who may represent schools,

colleges, clubs or associations or enter as individuals, will be required to provide a proposal in no more than 100 words for judging on a regional basis. Ten regional winners, with runners-up, will be selected and the winners will take part next Easter in a national final at the London Computer Festival. There will be valuable prizes and the national winners will have the opportunity of demonstrating their applications at the Festival.

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APPOINTMENTS

Knight has taken over as chairman of Mercury Theatre Trust, which presents Ballet Rambert, after the retirement of Mr Charles W. chicarlos Mr Charles Worthington.
The Institute of Chartered
Samples of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators: Mr Kenneth Jacques has been

elected president. Mr Harry Wrightson Group: appointed marketing director. Mitchell Cotts: Mr John R. nights has joined the board. British Steel Corporation: Dr David Grieves and Mr Jake Stewart have become full-time

board members for terms of

five years. Mr Martin Llowarch is the new managing director, finance, He succeeds Mr Colin

The Border & Southern Stockholders Trust: Mr John D. Eccles, a deputy chairman of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, has become a director.

Brewers' Society: Mr Charles Tidbury, chairman of Whit-bread & Company has been reelected as chairman for a second year. Mr Ewart Boddington chairman and managing direc-tor of Boddingtons' Breweries, Manchester has been re-elected

Britvic: Mr Eric B. Colwell is the new chairman, succeeding Mr Michael Jackaman.

Boat Show on course

Computer aid for shipbuilders is on show at the International Boat Show which opens at Earls Court this week, writes Geoffrey Ellis. Lloyds Register will be Lioyas register with the demonstrating, with Hewlett Packard hardware, their structural design service which is available to yacht and small craft designers. This is the system which was widely used in the design of the new Watercraft P2000 patrol craft.

Acomsoft, the software subsidiary of Acom Computers, is offering £1,000 to the programmer with the best "Go" program in the first Go championship for computers to be held this weeke Eight finalists will battle it out for first prize, which also offers the chance to develop and market the winning program in cooperation

Local area networks will be the Local area networks will be the subject of a seminar this Friday at Cranfield School of Management. Dealing with setting up, selecting products and security, the two main speakers will be Martin Healey and David Firmberg. The seminar is being organized jointly by Cranfield and the IT Exchange, Milton Keynes

miNew owners of Sinclair Spectrum home micros will be happy to hear that six of the newly launched ROM cartridge games have been reduced in price from £14.95 to £9.95. These include two of the popular Horace games, a gardener's nightmare called Pest and Space Raiders.

Mosaic Publishing, who will be launching their first two titles later this month, have caused so much book-software packages that the two titles, My Secret File and The Pen and the Dark have already gone into a second edition.

UK Events Which Computer? Show, NEC,

orthern Home Entertainment chester Airport, January 19-22 Acom Education Exhibtion Hall, Westminister, January 25-27 Statindex 84, Earls Court ondon, January 28th February

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United were as fortunate to gain a point their fourth in the League against Liverpool, as they were unfortunate with rebound.

Park Rangers where they were beaten 2-1. Wicks and Gregory were the Rangers scorers, with Wolves responding with an own goal by

Everton scored their first goal for 409 minutes when Stevens, a full back, put them ahead at Birming-ham City. King made it 2-0.

Arsenal continued their unbeaten

Fiery spell keeps

Forest in touch

uside of his own post

stretching their lead to six points.

But suddenly the picture changed. With Dalglish lying severely wounded in hospital. Whiteside, an Irish youngster whose career is already bursting with fairytales, significantly changed the course of the afternoon and perhaps of the season. After an anomymous contribution that had amounted only to a booking, he accepted a downward header from Crooks, ironically his rival for selection, turned away for one for the points his reaction on the half turned away for one for the substantial a badity cut eye but also with a depressed fracture of the cheekbone, an injury that for several weeks are an injury that for several weeks and the cheekbone, an injury that for cheekbone, an injury that for several weeks also with a depressed fracture of the cheekbone, an injury that for cheekbone, an injury that for the cheekbone, an injury that for cheekbone, an injury that the cheekbone and injury that the cheekbone are injury that the cheekbone and ironically his rival for selection.

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LIVERPOOL: B. Grobbelser; P. Nsel, A. Kennedy, M. Lawrenson, S. Nichol, A. Hansen, K. Dalgish (sub D. Hodgeon), S. Lee, I. Rush, C. Johnston, G. Souriese,

MANCHESTER UNITED: G. Balley, M. Dudbury, A. Abbiton, R. Wildes, K. Moran, G. McCueen (sub G. Crooks) R. Moses, A. Muhre, F. Stapleton, N. Whiteside, A. Graham, Referse: D. Richardson (Blackburn).

Sir Harold: Nottingham Forest kept in touch with the first division leaders when three goals in seven minutes gave them a 3-2 win at Luton Town. Walsh put Luton in front before Birtles, Hodge and Davenport scored at Forest just before the interval. Nwajiobl, a 24-year-old Nigerian making his Leagne debut, pulled a second goal back for Luton. West Ham missed the chance to close the gap on the top two when they surrendered a two-goal lead at Notts County. A Stewart penalty and a goal by Swindelhurst should have been enough to give West Ham the points but County recovered win goals from Christie and O'Neill. Wolverbampton Wanderers' brief revival came to an end at Queen's Park Rangers where they were heaten 2-1. Wicks and Gregory were man of bias and honour wattord

By David Miller

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The span of over 50 years in football by Professor Sir Harold Thompson, who died on December 31 after a brief illness, was like that of a cathedral organist: a volume of energy and sound from someone polling all the stops yet who remained largely museen.

The essence of his character was that be always wanted to be there at the heart of the matter, so such so that his falling health did not prevent him attending the centenary dimer of the Oxford and Cambridge match a few weeks ago, and preparing a speech which he had to ask a colleague to deliver for him.

It was the university football

their first victory over the holiday period – after a draw and two defeats – crushing Oldham 3-0 at Hillsborough. Variadi, with his 12th goal of the season, Bannister and Cunningham were the scorers.

Newcastle United's Waddle scored the only goal against Barnsley to move his side into third place. Waddle cleverly lobbed the ball over the goalkeeper Rhodes in the 13th minute. Barnsley almost gained a draw in the last minute when a header from Newcastle's defender Anderson clipped the outside of his own post

sxk a colleague to deliver for him.

It was the university football arena, where he came to prominence as Oxford's centre half in 1928, which nitimately led, via the ranks of the Football Association Council and amateur international selection committee, to his becoming chairman of the FA in 1976, from which he retired in 1981.

It his time at the top, including administrative leftnence within the Union of European Football Association (UEFA) was regularly involved with the controversies of the game, history will remember him for the creation of Pegasus; the combined Oxbridge team who twice won the Amateur Cap in front of a full house at Wembley.

Pegasus, with a blue-print style instilled by such conches as Arthur Rowe, Vie Buckingham, George Rose, vie Buckingham, George Rose, vie Buckingham, George Rose, vie Buckingham, George

Rowe, Vic Buckingham, George Ainsley and Joe Mercer, epitomized the passionate belief in true amateurism for which Tommy stood There are for which Tommy stood There are foul memories of the clashes of belligerent wit between Tommy and Jerry Weinstein, the formy and Jerry Weinstein, the club treasurer, of Tomany's endearingly persistent pessimism. Yet his modern Corinthians would perish, after a brief and meteoric life, eroded by the malaise he sought to conquer: the enticement of shammatten counter attractions.

With his Yorkshire determination

nateur counter attractions. With his Yorkshire determination he usually got his way, yet with the instinct of the academic world in which he was simultaneously prominent, he was always wary of

which he was simultaneously prominent, he was always wary of publicity.

It will, perhapt, never be known exactly how much influence he had in the dismissal in 1974 of Sir Alf Ramsey, the England manager. He deplored the defection of Don Revie, but when, as chairman of the disciplinary commission, he had Revie banned for 10 years, the decision was overturned in the High Court because of "the possibility of bias": though Mr Justice Camiley allowed Revie's appeal "with regret" and described Sir Harold as an honourable man.

Part of Tommy's considerable chara was that he mes hissed, in the sense of being committed: a magnetic man who had to be listened to, whether you agreed with him or not.

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An inspiring start has been made by Wallace wants to win so much — after all, Rangers have beaten Celtic only once at Parkhead since the premier division-was formed nine approximate only once at Parkhead in approximation on approximation will not be officially environment of lbrox on a Bank honour able man, and described Sir Harold as an honourable man.

Part of Tommy's considerable in the two Glasgow chubs who had dominated the Scottish game for almost a century.

Today's fixture at Parkhead mon Samrday and he decided to sort of the man over. Indeed, it is a game dropped, and hurled into a fray as fierce as that of a Roman arena will seem that the seem that the

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GILLINGHAM



Watford rejoic

By John Clemison

Tottenham Hotspur

"Tottenham Hotspur

"This has been another unhappy holiday for Tottenham Hotspur. Though their manager. Keith Burkinshaw, cannot remember a particularly successful Christmas at the club, this time they have lost heavily to Arsenal and West Ham and managed only a goalless draw at Aston Villa.

They went down yesterday at White Hart Lane to a Watford side which, though fit, are barely out of the relegation zone. It was absorbing, if error-strewn encounter, the pattern of play being largely determined by the stores and of the return of play being largely determined by the stores and of the return of play being largely determined by the stores and of the return of the pattern of play being largely determined by the stores and of the return of the pattern of play being largely determined by the stores and of the return of the pattern of play being largely determined by the stores and the pattern of the patter

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swiftly ground. He had been beaten by Hoddle and Archibald's skilful ton was interpassing and Hoddle made no mistake with his penalty.

led the Spurs defence to panic. The referee allowed advantage, but when

zone, at least for the time being.

Wimbledon

storm the

ramparts

By Peter Bills

Assessing the qualification of either side for a future at a higher.

through the heart of a statuesque

Wimbledon defence with less than half an hour remaining to allow

Edwards to shoot his twenty fourth goal of the season, that United briefly threatened to succeed. However, Wimbledon's early recog-

the dreaded guillotine and when they fell, United were toppled.

Smith, the captain, stabbed the equalizer 20 minutes from the end

before Cork applied the coup de grace. He stooped to head into the corner of Tomlinson's goal after \$2

minutes and 100 seconds later,

headed his twenty third goal of the season from Downes's cross.

in the field, United had seemed to hold the more impressive creden-tials but the wind and rain dissolved

their theoretical superiority. Galhers incoreteal superiority. Gal-hers, scunling around like a hungry hare, created and destroyed in mid-field, Winterburn belied his tender-ness in years and experience with

some intelligent attempts at con-structive play.

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For the potential offered by

Wimbledon.

Sheffield United.

Leeds show signs By Leslie Duxbury

Manchester City

Leeds United

The wind was the arbiter in a The wind was the arbiter in a rumbustious match between Manchester City, sing among the contenders for promotion from the second division, and Leeds United, a young side nervously jostling for safety at the opposite end. Playing against the wind was the easier, it seemed as Leeds demonstrated in what was for them a fine first haif.

They were infinitely the more deft and sure-footed, particularly in midfield where the veteran, Frank. Gray, went about his work with the

aplomb of a man whose relationship with a football is both close and longstanding. Ritchie was almost as impressive and Wright flung himself about in attack with zest. But Leeds squeezed only one goal (an own goal at that) and after the break were pounded by a City side transformed from the sloppy outfit

of the first half. Their failure to convert opportunities into goals was more due to.

goalkeeper, Harvey, who store everything except a penalty, that their own shortcomings.

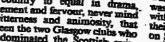
McNab, who seems to have to over from Hartford as C



Tolmie: dashing blows.

playmaker, inspired and controller assisted by Tolmie who moves at speed and shoots with strength which belies his physique. Perversely it was Tolmie who might

Old Firm provide new



YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS AND TABLES Scottish premier division
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Park Ivens Scottish first division MORTON (1) 4 · MEADOWBANK (0) D (1) 2



By John Nicholls

Southampton Aston Villa....

For the second match in succession, Southampton saved a game that appeared to be well won by their opponents. With only 10 minutes left, Aston Villa, having already survived a penalty, finally succumbed to what had been an ineffective attack, now revitalized by the substitution of a tiring Worthington for a lively Puckett.

Mornal scorer of two goals at Arsenal last Saturday, again played a key role. His goal in the eighty-second minute sparked off the revival, though it was his shot from the penalty spot which was wooderfully saved by Spink. Prior o that, be had had two close-range shots blocked in a crowded Villa goalmouth.

If all this sounds as if Southamp-ton should have won, the facts are misleading. The visitors were coolly in command for much of the game, and must have thought they were well on the way to their second away win of the season. They scored well-conceived and well-taken goals early in each half, and at these times Southampton looked decidedly ragged.

It took them most of the first half to recover from the shock of failing a goal behind after only three minutes. McMahon was the marksman, beating Shilton with a hard, slithering shot after being sent clear by Wilhe's flick. Southampton hardly mounted a serious attack for half an hour, and then wasted the few chances the mode. The minutes few chances they made. The visitors looked far more composed in the treacherous conditions, with Mortimer and McMahon dominating

The odds were on a Spurs victory, but the North London side made one last mistake, almost against the run of play a sharp dribble by Reilly Southampton hardly helped their cause by persistently trying to dribble through the cloying mud when a first-time pass would have served better. With Walters beating Johnston's shot hit the post, he awarded Watford a penalty. Barnes scored from the spot to keep Watford well clear of the relegation Holmes at will, Aston Villa possessed one of the few players seemingly unaffected by the con-ZOTIC, at least for the time being.

TOTTENHAM HOTSPURS; R Cemence; M
Bowen, C Hughton, G Stevens, G O'Reilly, S
Perryman, D Thomes, S Archibald, M Falco, G
Hoddle, A Cockrem, (aut. G Brooke)
WATFORD: S Stereood; D Bardsley, W
Rostron, O Taylor, S Sims, P Franklin, N
Calleghan, M Johnston, G Relly, K Jackett, J
Barnes.
REFEREE: A Seville (Birmingham)

Other chances fell to the Villa forwards, most of them made by Walters, but Shilton was not seriously troubled again before the interval. However, after another sparkling opening period, the visitors scored again after only three minutes. This time Shaw was on hand to poke the ball past Shilton after incisive play by Mortimer and

Southampton were rocked back on their heels, but on this occasion, they quickly pulled themselves together and started to look more like the team that began the game lying in the first division.

Sheer pressure led to the penalty, when Birch was judged to have handled, although the decision was disputed to the extent that Evans was cautioned. Not that it mattered, for Spink's save appeared to have denied Southampton any chance of recovery.

level then the third division was rendered an impossible exercise yesterday by the appalling weather indeed, Arnott played a pass of Theo came Morgan's goal, his third in three days, and the stage was set for a pulsating linish.
Puckett harried the tired defenders,
Wright and Holmes supported the attack, and, with only five minutes left, David Armstrong, sitting in the goalmouth, prodded in a Wallace

nition of the value of the big boot on such a foul day, proved decisive. Three high centres hung in the wind above the Sheffield penalty area like SOUTHAMPTON: P Shilton; M Wilght, M Dennis, B Williams, K Armstrong, R Agboole, N Holmes, B Moran, P Worthington (sub D Puckettl, D Armstrong, D Wallace.

ASTON VILLA: N Spinic D Bremner, R Walker, A Evens, B Ormsby, D Mortimer, P Birch, G Shaw, P Withe, S McAlahon, M Walters, Referber A Gunn (Sussex).

Brian Glanville's World Football column has been held over until tomorrow.

Morris's darting runs, Edwards's clinical goal scoring, the craft of Arnott and the industry of McHale **TODAY'S FIXTURES**

FOOTBALL Third division

Bristol Rovers v Wigan (7.45) Scottish premier division Scottish first division

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Eventor V Rotherham (7.0).
POOTBALL COMBINATION: Charton V
Brmingham (2.0); Queens Park Rangers V
Luton (2.0); Tottenham v Crystal Palace (2.0).

FOR THE RECORD

AMERICAN FOOTBALL NATIONAL LEAGUE: Washington Reds. 51, Los Angeles Rams 7; Los Angeles Rax 38, Persburgh Steelers 10. ICE HOCKEY ENGLISH WOMEN'S LEAGUE Solihuli Vicens 6. Akthochem Tigers 1. NATIONAL LEAGUE: Calgary 3, Wirnipeg 3. Morris division

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CALGARY: Canada 2, Soviet Union 7

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SNOW REPORTS SNOW REPORTS

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(US) bt L Marrael (Beb, 2–1; B Brenner (Ne) bt
K White (Aus), 2–1; D Whitcomble (Eng) bt B
ktomatus (East), 2–0. Second round: E Bristow

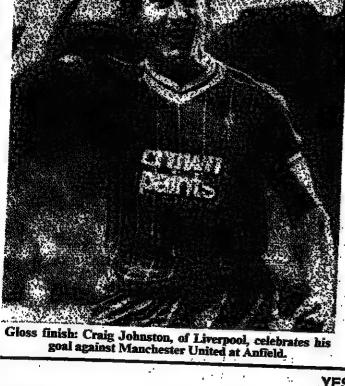
BASKETBALL Eastern Conference Atlentic Division Philadelphia 75ers Boston Califics New York Kracks Washington Bullets New Jersey Nets Central Division Māwaukee Bucks Detroit Pistons Attente Hawks Chicago Bulla Clevelend Cavillers Indiana Pacers Utah Jazz Delles Mavericks Kensas City Kings Denver Nuggets Houston Rockets San Antonio Spurs

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PORT WASHINGTON: International Junior
tournament: Boys' 18 and under singles, final:
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ROAD RUNNING
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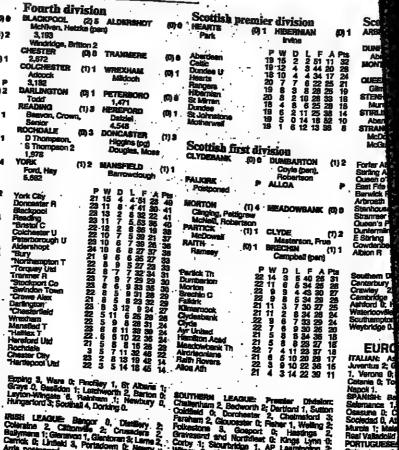
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Boursemouth • Excluding last night's results Hornchurch 0: Epsom-and Ewell 2, Walton and Hersham 0: Kingstonian 2, Fethum 1; Leatherhood 1, Lawes 1: Metropolitan Polics 4, Hampton 0: Oxford City 0. Classham 0; Wolding 2, Famborough 2, Second division: Corinthian

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By David Hands Rugby Correspondent

absence for Nigel Melville; and Roehampton yesterday was not the cheeriest of places to make return to first-class rugby. But Melville, the Wasps and British Lions scrum half, who was injured in New Zealand, would doubtless not have minded if Rosslyn Park had transferred ambition to take wing and the game to the North Pole. He Williams, moved to stand-off in was relieved merely to be there and to come through with no

amount of twitches. in New Zealand when, in his second game for the Lions, he suffered a serious neck injury. The Park youngsters develop either line came from a half-Since then the Melville ankle into a strong forward unit break by williams, can't one and knee have come under within two or three years. They

two tries and two penalty goals by Thornton. to nil. It was no day for heroics;

throughout and Melville, sen- Colclough, had sibly was content to feel his way clared themselv back, the odd flash of excep-tional ability was to be glimpsed, the controlled kicking the deceptive strength in a slight frame and the Park hat Melville had to work under ressure.

The ball bobbed around, a recurrial blob, and clean possession from a second from a sec forwards did their best to ensure that Melville had to work under

mercurial blob, and clean possession from a series of severely contested lineouts was a rarity. Neither side allowed the absence of Davies, kicked high or long to keep his pack more than the acceptable driving forward. Predeictably, amount of twitches.

Wasps were better when the ball His chapter of accidents in was on the ground - too many 1983 have been chronicled of the Park forwards are still frequently, including the match finding their feet in the senior

It would be no surprise to see and knee have come under within two or three years. They and knee have come under within two or three years. They much scrutiny and his well wishers will hope that 1984 may yet prove fruitful for the 22-vear-old Yorkshireman.

His first senior game this season saw Wasps extend their season saw Wasps extend their only other scoring chances were the large transfer attendance within two or three years. They worked with spirit, in the tight and loose, and all but scored in the dying moments before the cohesion of the Wasps in the maul drove them back. Their only other scoring chances were unbeaten record in a victory by two long-range penalty attempts

Two of Wasps's more experia cold rain teemed down enced players, Davies and

for the clubs New Year the England lock played at the Esher Esher on Saturday. as Rendali after what had hen an

first after Williams had just missed a try following uplace kick ballooned by his back. There was a penalty goal, but if tries are come it seemed ikely would be forward affairs first was, Isichei crossing for h. fourth try of the season on the end of a tapped penalty from only time the ball went down centres and Snnger

No shelter from Llanelli storm

Newport The weather was wild, with a strong wind and continuous rain, which very nearly prompted the Lianelli committee to call off the game. Others elsewhere in Wales were abandoned. The afternoon was as uncomfortable to those sheltered. in stands - hardly anyone ventured onto the terraces - as it was most

certainly for the players.
Wiser men might have decided to take their fix of sporting pleasure by pressing a button and staying in the cosiness of their front rooms. Those who did denied themselves the opportunity of seeing a performance of sheer brilliance from Llanelli.

As if to mock the atrocious

conditions and to reward the hardy. faithful who turned up they threw caution to the wind and ran everything. It was a superlative performance. Hardly a pass went astray and fewer still were dropped as Lianeill won by the remarkable margin of four goals, four tries to two tries and a dropped goal. Newport, with four Weish B players in their midst, stuck property to their task, but they could do nothing with a home side in such an irresistible mood, something which might surprise those who saw them go down to their heavy defeat at Bristol over the weekend.

catalyst which, bearing in mind Gareth Davies's past performance for Cardiff on Saturday, prompts the suggestion that stand-off halves in Wales are alive and well, but living outside the Welsh squad, Neither of them can find a place in

Douglas opened the onslaught by charging on the open side of a scrum on the Newport line to score the first try. Newport replied immediately with a dropped goal.

The home side immediately responded with tries which would have given great credit to them in kinder conditions. Douglas came



Gary Pearce, at stand-off, was the Douglas: opened onslaught Welsh just get home by George

By Gordon Allan

London Welsh ... Sections

Wind and rain did not stop London Welsh and Bedford putting on a diverting match to start the new year at Old Deer Park yesterday. The Welsh won by a goal, two tries and a penalty goal to a-goal, a try and two penalties, but it could just as easily have gone the other way, without opsetting two

Bedford goes back further than it does with any other provincial club to 1892. The last time I saw a match to 1952. The last differ saw a match between them at Old Deer Park, the Welsh won by 30 points and Bedford were lucky to score nought. There was no repetition of such a bore here. Except for a weight advantage to the Welsh in the tight, it was as even as could be.
George kicked the Welsh into the

lead with a penalty and in doing so brought his points for a season to 150. Finnic kicked a penalty for Bedford. A series of missed touch kicks led to Bedford's first try. Peck gathered one of these and fed Binnington, who went over, festooned with defending Welshmen. would have a useful lead at half-

wind. Williams scored a try for the Welsh. Efans kicked diagonally from a scrummage and Williams ded the ball inches short of the

dead ball line. In the second half, George ran through uncoposed from a scrum mage for a try that he converted, Finnie kicked another penalty, to bring Bedford back into the game at 13-10, and five minutes later they were awarded a penalty try when Berry, their left-wing, who is still at school, was obstructed behind the Welsh line. Finnie made it a goal.

Williams scored what turned out to be the winning try with 20 minutes left. The Welsh won the ball at a scrummage near the corner and George rolled rather than passed it to Williams, who had room to spare. It was a good match for both scrum balves, George and Peck, and, in his quiet but effective way, for Wilkinson, the former

way, for Wilkinson, the former England lock, who was playing his 302nd game for Bedford, SCORERS: Lendon Welcht Tries: Wilkins (2), George, Conversion: George, Pensity: George, Bedford: Tries: Binnington, pensity fry. Conversion: Firmite, Pensity: Frenie (2), LONDON WELSH: M Eboworth: D Williams, D Fouthy, J Hughes, C Ress (capt): H Evans, I George: Tutnes, B Light, J Devies, G Lewis (rep. P David), E Lewis, J Colins, P Cunneen, K Bowsting.

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Hewitt turns out to be the star of a farce

By Iain Mackenzie

Heriot's.

Had Mr Megson, the Edinburgh Wanderers referee, decided to call the match off before the start or at any time during it, no one would have blamed him. In 30 years of reporting rugby union, from Scotland to New Zealand, it has never been my lot to watch such a farcical match.

Water polo might have been abandoned on a field which defied

description. And it was to their great credit that Heriot's won by a try and two penalty goals to two penalty

Hawick started off well behind their traditional rivals in taking clean ball. Yet it was only minutes before they came back at the before they came cack at the Heriot's side. Gass put over a penalty goal after an off-side decision by the referee that was totally justified, but perhaps a bit

In fact it ought to have been six Rafferty's indiscretion looked cer tain to produce the try that would, in the circumstances, have given Gass the extra two points.

Gass did have the benefit of more Gass did have the benefit of more reasonable refereeing shortly after. Dobie was off-side near the posts and the Hawick stand-off half sent the ball just inside the left hand

Conditions were ludicrous with the downpour even coming in under the roof of the stand. It was

stonishing that the referee allowed

to be the hero of the day, kicked a penalty goal from about 40 metres. It was right on target but no more than they deserved having held Hawick to only six points.

It was then left to Hewitt, on the left wing, to go across for the only left wing, to go across for the only try of the match. And the same player sent the rain-drenched Heriot's supporters into raptures when he kicked his second penalty goal, and his own tenth point, just five minutes before the end.

HERIOT'S; P Steven: S Patierson, D Buglisss, S McAstan, P Hewitt: C Murdoch, A Lireson: D Milne, K Milne, I Milne, M Ratterty, G Millar, A Dobie, H McDougall, P O'Nell.

HAWICIC J Hogg: K Mitchel K Murray, Renwick, A Cranaton: C Gass, G Oliver, J Fia C Deans, R Nichol, A Tomas, D Tumbult, Murray, S McGauthey, A Campbell. Referee: R Megson (Edinburgh).

Yesterday's results

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on the 10-metre time, inded with.
Pickering, who durnmed and
swerved infield to link with Lynch. who ran in to score. Then from a short imeout Douglas just managed to get the ball

away to Pearce who, although crowded in a thick Newport defence, was able to link with Peter Morgan who scored. There was no let up as Pearce

once again with audacions panache, waitzed through the defeat to pass to Lynch who scored the 100th Lianelli try for the season. Pearce converted all three. Then Gravelle scored a feet. Within a minute of the re-start Widdicombe charged his way over from a short penalty. If Newport had bopes of making introds on the deficit they were deated it a moment later as Pearce set up a try for Kyffin a see in the commen scored a try

for Kyffin a try in the coner. Newport managed another try through Williams, but Lauelli retaliated two further tres, one for the captain Phil May and the other

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Moseley pay the penalty

By Peter Marson

Gloucester... Moseley

The fact that Gloncester con trived to score two mes yesterday, the second of them a penalty try which won the match for them in time added on for injury, was in its way a small miracle because continuous rain meant that the pitch better reembled a paddy field, and a buffering, cold, wind made conditions for play well night

Yet before the weather worsene and an overall weariness had taken is toll of failing arms and pounding legs in those 16 worthies in the engine room, Moseley had had a spendid operanity to make the

Here, Perry's goal kicking ought really to have put the match beyond. Gloucester's reach. In fact, he gave his side the right kind of start with two well taken penalty goals, the first of which was an excellent effort

in the circumstances from 40 metres and out of the mud.

Perry, however, was wide of the target from 35 metres with another three attempts at goal and that meant that Moseley turned round at half time to face the rain and driving wind with a hare to section hand. wind with a bare six points in hand,

which was scarecely enough.
Yet, I can reveal that a bubbling spirit of optimism prevailed in these parts long before the New Year dawned, so that in spite of the weather and misseress changes weather and numerous changes yesterday Gloucester still relished

yesterday Gloucester still relished the thought of their meeting with traditional opponents, the conquerors of indefatigable Bristol.

They were even rubbing their hands at the prospect of welcoming Leicester here in a formight's time and righting a wrong done, as they think, when they came away from Welford Road last month, at least 11 points behind in a match which yielded 50 points.

On the same tack, Terry Tandy, Gloucester's general secretary, has

Gloucester's general secretary, has been besieged by requests for tickets for the county final between Gloucestershire and Somerset = a West Country spectacular. SCORERS: Gloucester: Tric Baker. Per conversion: Fowke. Moselly: Penalty

MOSELEY: I Metcatte: S Hunter, C Smith, Swan. J Goodwin: M Perry, A Williamson: Head, G Cox (capt), P Gisborne: C Black, Tuckwood, P Lockyer, D Warren, J Beal. Referee: G Section (Manchester).

SEVEN COUNTIES MERIT TABLE: H OTHER MATCHES: St All Truro 32, Penryn 9,

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Up in arms: Maccabi's Brikowski (left) tangles with Robinson. (Photograph: Chris Cole)

In-form Milan take the basket

Tel Aviv ... There are new winners of the World Invitation Club Champion-ships. Simse Milan, the team who the seventh Philips-sponsored tour-nament at Crystal Palace by default, after scoring a contentious basket yesterday beat the holders. Maccabi Tel Aviv, to take the trophy for the

Like Italy in the World Cup football championships, who also made a faltering start only to come good at the right time, and win. Milan recaptured their form and demeanour to beat the Israclis. who have now appeared in the last six finals, winning four.

European Cup last year, winning the away leg in Tel Aviv by 15 points. For some of yesterday's game it looked as if the Italians might double that margin, but ultimately the second seeds had to be satisfied The key to a fascinating encounter was the tactical supremacy of Milan, who had obviously done their homework. Berkowitz, the Maccabi star, was contained so well first by Premier then by Boselli, that Maccabi simply

ran out of options.
In contrast. Premier and d'Antoni invariably managed to get Bariviera – banned from Sunday's semi-final with Crystal Palace – and Boselli quickly into scoring positions for Milan, who led 48-32 at the

On recent displays, Maccabi were favourites, but Milan went into the

name but not a single point. Robinson and Brikowski were left with the responsibility of out-jump-ing Meneghin and Carr to bring Maccabi back into contention, but their task seemed hopeless with Milan leading 73-46.

And so it proved. Maccabi had overcome an 11-point deficit to beat Athletes in Action in their semi-final but this time the gap was too

The contentious cricketing world of Albert Cotter

Bear like man who showed his teeth to England

won, and Cotter - partiy because of injury - was never

quite the same menace again in

that series, though he took 124

He had one or two revenges.

Cotter: rattled batsmen

found to be useful.

MacLaren wrote in a

toss, a ball which Cotter often

Many years later, at the time the bodyline argument,

Cotter bowled at my body to

lia. Cotter did not bowl

wickets in the season.

Albert Cotter was the leading Australian fast bowler, and possibly the fastest in the world, in the first decade of this him?"
century. He had not quite the MacLaren scored 140, England class of his predecessor, Ernest Jones, or his postwar suc-cessors, Gregory and McDon-ald, but he could be formidable.

Indeed, Hansen Carter, one of the best Australian wicketon top of Gregory, and the pair of them wouldn't be as fast as Cotter. I know, because I have keepers, is reported to have however. In MacLaren's last kept wicket to all three of them." An extravagant comment, no doubt, but from an

informed source.
F. S. Jackson, looking back, towards the end of his life, was inclined to think that the fastest bowler he had ever faced was Cotter, at least for a few overs. Cotter's only contemporary rivals for pace were C. J. Kortright, of Essex (who never

played for England) and J. J. Kotze, the South African. Cotter played in 21 Test matches fron 1903 to 1912, 16 of them against England, and took 89 wickets, average 28.64. He toured England twice, in 1905 and 1909 and would

presumably have done so again in 1912, but for the dispute between the Board of Control and some leading Australian players, in which he partici-He was born on December 3,

1883, and died on active service in 1917, shot by a sniper at while Beersheba reconnaissance for his company of the Australian Light Horse.

Englishmen complained that he was a dangerous bowler, who let too many balls fly around the batsmen's heads. Most fast the batsmen's heads. Most fast paper: "I have never for one bowlers experience such criticism at one time of specific bats."

Autoble in a news-paper. "I have never for one moment in my life thought an one time of specific bats." in Cotter's case they had some wished to hit me, but that He was not malicious, but he force me to play the red substance.

was erratic, especially when trying to bowl his fastest. He had a slinging action with a flat trajectory, and has been compared to Jeff Thomson, though yery few recole can have been discussed. in a position to make the comparison at first-hand.

Handled the comparison at first-hand. He rattled the English batsmen in the first innings of the first Test match in 1905. In the

bodyline. Here is the evidence of his cided to send MacLaren in first captain on may occasions, Joe to take the bull by the horns, Cardus, still a boy, described did this to make Tibby bowl at later how he saw (or perhaps the wicket or the off stump. I

imagined) MacLaren striding consider that if I had allowed Cotter to bowi ... as Larwood did late, with a packed leg-side along a corridor, muttering
"Cotter! I'll bloddy Cotter field, my 1905 Australian XI would have been hooted out of

England and deservedly so". Cotter had several outstanding Test perforamances. The st I think, must have been in the last Test of the 1905 series. England had already won the rubbes, and won the toss (as Jackson always did that year) and were not taking any risks.

They made 430, a safe score
Cotter bowled 40 overs, and
took seven for 148. It was a sustained effort, not one of his brief, brilliant bursts. The seven batsmen he got out were MacLaren, Tylderiey, Fry. Spooner, Arnold, Rhodes and Lilley. You can search Test history without finding many more notable bags than that. According to David Frith, whose book The Fast Men is as nearly authoritative as anyone's can be on such a subject. Cotter propelled the ball at a lowish trajectory which had the effect of hurrying it through, much as Larwwood and Griffith were able to do in later generations. Cotter began with a very long run-up, but later cut this down with profit, just as Tyson did in

with profit, just as Tyson did in 1954-55. The shorter run somehow increased Cotter's ability to cut the ball back from the off'.

W. A. Oldfield, who came from Giebe, the same Sydney Korrie to be caught by Rice at midclub side as Cotter, though too young to keep to him, remembered him as a muscular and lithe man, "with bright eyes and a smooth creamy skin", an improbable description of an

Australian fast bowler. Cotter is not, at least by Englishmen, sufficiently re-membered. He was in the great fast bowling line. He was always known as "Tibby". I have been unable to discover why. "Tib-by has been used as an abbreviation of Theobald, but he was not called Theobald, unless he concealed it, as one famous English batsman of modern times has struggled to conceal that his name was Archibald.

Tibby was the cat in Reynard the Fax, but Cotter was more bearlike than catlike. He must have cracked a few batsmen on their tibias, but that seems an obscure derivation. I should be most grateful to learned readers of The Times for any suggestion on the subject.

Alan Gibson

RUGBY LEAGUE

Eckersley gives new heart to Fulham

By Keith Macklin

First divisin survival seems a possibility for Fulham after their first victory away from home at Salford yesterday. In terming rain and a strong wind they came from the salford possibility for Fulham after their first victory away from home at Salford yesterday. In terming rain and a strong wind they came from the salford possible from the salford possi and a strong wind they came from 40 down to win 6-4 with a well-worked try by the veteran full back. Eckersley, Diamond's goal provided the victory margin. Despite late assaults by the home team. Fulham Featherstone are among the bottom four clubs, Hull Kingston Rovers made it a Humberside double by winning 22-10 at Whitehaven and

progress in the second division FIRST DIVISION: Featherstone Rovers 1: 22. Leeds 15, Oktham 12: Sakord 4, Full Winscharten 10, Hill KR 22. hung on.
The conditions made open rugby
almost impossible. Satford were
rather unfortunate to lose this
they relegation battle. since they attempted to attack for 60 of the 80 minutes but missed several chances through mishandling the wet ball.

through mishanding the wet ball. Their chances were worsened when Nash, their experienced international half back, who had prompted many moves, retired injured in the second half.

Fulham tackled well but were again unconvincing in attack and contributed their share of dropped passes and handling mistakes. They seemed beaten and doomed to a return to the second division when return to the second division when Salford sprung a good handling move and Williams went over. move and Williams went over.

Eckersley's try from neat scrum play involving Hull brought them back into the game and will give the London club great heart in their remaining matches.

Leeds continued their march, and their unbeaten progress under Maurice Bamford, by coming from behind to beat Oldham 16-12. In a splendidly competitive game at Headingley a try by Worrall gave Oldham a 12-10 lead. Late in the game Holmes produced a typically

HOCKEY

No change in pattern at the top

By Joyce Whitehead Now that the top county in each territory is known it is clear that there is little change in the teams even though Leicestershire are the only county to retain the title won last year. Suffolk, Middlesex, Somerset and Cheshire have in recent years all been at or near the

But from the result it is obviou that five or six matches in four days take a heavy toll. There are usually some surprises and this season has been no exception. Leicestershire lost to Nottinghamshire and Essex and Devon also had unexpected downfalls.

The decision of the Britain's women's hockey com-mittee to bar their players from taking part in more than two matches in a week removed key players from a few teams. Stafford-shire's positive draw with Shronshire's goalless draw with Shrop-shire could well have been due to Jane Swinnerton's baving to stand down and Rosie Sykes left a gap in the middle of the Kent side. Injuries also made changes inevitable. Nevertheless sound teamwork made up for many discrepancies but not all and it was heartening to see some

high goal scoring.
WOBLEN'S COUNTY CHARPIONSHIP South
Berkshire 8, Oxford 9: Buckinghamshire
Durrey 4; Hampshire 6, Sussas 2; Middlessas
English Unberstien 0, Final placings:
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CRICKET **W Indians** in danger of defeat

Cape Town (Reuter) - An unofficial West Indian XI were facing defeat after the third day of their second four-day match against the South Africans here today. After the South Africans reached 404 in their first innings to take a lead of

ineir rust innings to take a lead of 152, their opponents were reduced to 89 for four by the close, still trailing by 63 runs.

The West Indians' plight could have been worse, had the mid-off Jefferies held the easiest of chances officed by Kallicharran off Kourie where to one. The West Indians. when on one. The West Indians held the early initiative when they dismissed three South Africans before lunch for the addition of only 61 runs. But a dynamic Rice after taking 56 minutes to move off the mark, hit four sixes and six fours en route to a memorable 71 not out in

187 minutes.

It was a lively day's entertainment. Rice provided one of the most notable features when he was struck low in the back by a beamer from Stephenson. He stormed to the side of the wicket, threw down his bat and gloves and a few minutes later when he resumed batting rejected an apology from the fast

Clarke, in taking five wicketrs in an innings for the second time in succession, again was the best bowler on display The West Indians started disas-

trously, with Trotman caught behind off Jefferies for one, and the total on five. Lynch joined Matris and the pair batted responsibly until Matris his the ball into the covers

off. Kourie made amends for Jefferies' earlier lapse when he dismissed Kallicharran, leg before. WEST INDIANS First Innings 252 (C L King 83, A J Kourie Bve for 68)

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Second Innings
E N Trotman c Jennings b Jeffer
F H Mattis c Rice b Kourte...... C L King not out D R Parry not out Extras (w-2, fb-1)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-5, 2-53, 3-63, 4-86. SOUTH AFRICANS: First innings

SOUTH AFRICANS: First training
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H R Fotbaringham e Julian b Stephenson.
P N Kinsten e Parry b Julian.
R G Pedock e Murray b Parry.
K S McEwan e Murray b Clarks
C E B Rice not out
A J Kourlo Boy b Clarks
R V Jervings Boy b Parry.
G Sie Roox e Mattis b Clarks
S T Jefferles e Julian b Parry.
D Hobson c and b Clarks
Extras (b 17, w 7) 404

80W.Net: Clerka, 37.5-13-82-5; Juden, 24-6-71-1; Supherson, 27-5-85-1; Perry, 38-6-73-3; King, 5-1-21-0; Kelicherran, 3-0-62-0. More cricket, Page 19 TENNIS

A reduced programme from WCT

By Rex Bellamy

Tennis Correspondent
The twelfth World Championship
Tennis doubles tournament, spon-Tennis doubles tournament, sponsored by Barrati Developments, will begin this evening at the Albert Hall. London, Two matches are scheduled: Kevin Curren and Steve Denton, who reached the semi-final round at Wimbledon, against Heinz Gunthardt, and Balazs Taroczy. WCT winners for the past two years, and Tim and Tom Gullikson, Wimbledon runners-up, against the Czechoslovak Davis Cup pair, Pavel Slozil and Tomas Smid.

Slozil and Tomas Smid.
The teams seeded to contest the £48,000 first prize in Sunday's final

The cight teams will compete in groups of four on an all-play-all basis until Saturday's semi-finals. in which the winners of each group will

play the runners-up in the other.
This is the first of five events on
WCT's reduced 1984 programme.
Their attempt to run an independent circuit, in competition with the
Grand Prix. has been unsuccessful chiefly because the players' union, the Association of Tennis Professionals, found it expedient to work in harness with the Grand Prix rather than maintain a neutral role. WCT have taken a similar decision and next year, their tournaments will be part of the Grand Prix set-

The Dallas-based WCT organiza tion have been responsible for a series of initiatives that have men's professional tennis. It remains to be seen whether players, public, and the game as a whole will be better off with one men's circuit rather than two.

The rapprochement between WCT and the "Establishment" is evident in the links between the Albert Hall promotion and Wimble-don. Alan Mills, the Wimbledon referee, will do a similar job this week, and "Buzzer" Hadingham. the Wimbledon chairman, is serving on a panel chosen to make a special award, sponsored by Champagne Lanson, for services to doubles.

The appointment of Mills is a reminder that in accordance with the high standards they always seck to attain, WCT have told competitors of the need for exemplary court conduct. Patrick Deuchar, the tournament director, says. "World Championship Tennis is deter-mined to provide the highest level of family entertainment."

It is to be hoped that the players

begin the New Year in a suitably responsive frame of mind. Mecir reaches first Grand Prix final

Adelaide. (AFP). - Miloslav Mecir, of Czechoslovakia, will play his first Grand Prix singles final when he meets the defending champion Mike Bauer, of the United States, in the South Australian men's open tournament Australian men's open tournament Mecir, aged 19, caused another upset in yeserday's semi-finals when he outclassed the Autralian Davis Cup player Paul McNance, the third seed here, 6-2, 6-3.

Bauer, aged 24, from California qualified for the final after beating the Australian left-hander Brad Drewett 7-6 (7-5), 6-4.

SEMI-TRALS: M Bauer 665 M 8 Derwest

SEM FINALS: M Bauer (US) bt B Drewett (Aus), 7-5, 6-4; M Mecir (Cz) bt P McNemee (Aus), 6-2, 6-3.

No protection for Prudential

Rain leaked on to the indoor courts at Queen's Club yesterday to interrupt the first day of the British 18 and under covered court championships sponsored by Prudential (Lewine Mair writes). Puddles formed on courts number three and four, and two of the more exciting matches of the day, a doubles involving David Shann and Mike Walker and Austen Brice and Jason Goodall, and a singles between Katie Montagu and Alison Reichenbach, were disrupted. Shann and Walker ultimately moved to court one, where they went on to defeat the third seeds. 9-7, in the final set. Miss Montagu eventually won her match, 4-6, 6-3, 9-7.

9-7.
BOTS SINGLES: first round: N Grassick bt M Nursel, 5-2, 6-4.
GRILE: SINGLES: S Whitemen bt A Brasher, 6-1, 6-7; K Monteyu bt A Reichenbach, 4-6, 6-3, 9-7; J Philips bt S Mitten, 5-1, 6-1; L Gould bt K Hand, 5-1, 6-0; S Longbattom bt J Reeves, 6-2, 6-4; F Coultridge bt B Welt, 6-2, 6-1; V Lake bt L Stern, 5-7, 6-7, 6-8; C Genes bt A Root, 6-2, 7-6; D Walter bt C Polland, 6-4, 6-1; C Bissguandes bt V Prudhop, 6-3, 6-4; J Waco bt K Ricises, 6-0; 6-2; A Grantield bt R Kandall, 6-1; 6-1; A Regreng bt G Oskanisk, 6-9, 6-4.

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Grand National winner, Grittar,

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News of his 1979 Triumph

No strain for the men in the saturated whites of England

dent's XI and England XI at Churchill Park yesterday did little to refute that sad statement. Before a crowd of less than 2,000 England won by 198 runs with 16 0000 to see the control of the statement. runs with 16 overs to spare in a 50-over contest.

Despite an unfamiliar pitch of matting, the presence of eight of the Fijian national side and temperatures in the high 80s with humity to match, England had to exert themselves no more than enough to add to their laundry bills with yet another set of saturated whites. That will please the selectors, for 11 of the 15 touring players were given competitive match practice with little strain on physique or morale. Sympathy for the Fijians

Scoreboard

ENGLAND XI: First inrings

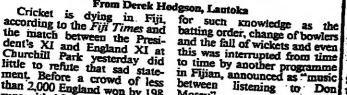
Total (6 wids, 50 overs) ... N. G. B. Cook, R. W. Taylor, and R. G. D. Willia FALL OF WICKETS: 1-7, 2-38, 3-56, 4-149, 5-175, 6-280. BOWLING: Suita 8-1-45-1; Koroczwiri 7-0-52-1; Melici 10-0-51-1; Morarj 5-1-14-0; McGoon 10-0-37-3; Betina 9-1-60-0; Jamnadas 1-0-3-0.

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ALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-25, 3-50, 4-61, 5-2, 5-68, 7-72, 8-72, 9-76, 10-76 80WLNG: Wills 7-2-12-0; Dilley 7-2-11-2; Botham 10-2-21-2; Marks 5-1-0-18; Cook 5-2-Umpires: H Ranchisedand b Hewett.

must be tempered with the thought that they do not help

themselves as they might. Cricket is very much a game of information whether it is provided the English way, vai a scorecard, or on a giant Australian scoreboard. Churchill Park had neither score-board nor sightscreen nor, with some 25 correspondents present, a press box.



While the hacks were struggling England were preparing a thoroughly professional per-formance. Willis had his men out in the middle an hour early, ensuring that each batsman was given a few overs on the matting and each bowler was able to test his foothold on the run-up. England won the toss and, to no one's surprise, batted

While the ball was new and hard and the bowlers enthusiastic, England were kept in reasonable check by slight variations in the bounce an inch higher and so it was that Tavare, dropped at mid-on, was caught at mid-off. Smith was caught at mid-on, both driving, and Gower, after timing three boundaries immaculately, was caught behind. One of Gatting's greatest virtues is that he is never too proud to score runs and it was he who led England to the riches of 274 for six.

Driving and pulling fiercely, Gatting added 93 in 73 mintes with Randall and then 85 in 39 minutes with Marks. He passed always jumping and going like a winner yesterday there was precious little left in the tank at his own 50 in 87 minutes, his 100 in 125 and his 142 was made off 127 balls and included the end. Likewise, Santella King five sixes and 14 fours. "Now was out cold on his feet towards five sixes and 14 fours. "Now was out cold on his feet towards leave me our", he might have the finish of the Steel Plate Trial

said as he walked in.

Hurdle and his trainer was the None of the England XI's fast first to agree that this was not bowlers took their full run but Truimph Hurdle form. Dilley, finding pace and bounce off 12 yards, had removed the one of the favourites for the openers for 26. Botham, with out seeming to bowl particularly well, took three from the middle, including the wichet of Cecil Browne, the Fijians's most wrong. As a result the stewards

An intelligent five overs from ordered Paris North to be dope Cook, employing his variations with the help of spin and bounce, was too much for tailenders who, it must be said mistake jumping the third hurdle badly where he might have ricked himself. without being cruel, displayed technique that would not have been tolerated in a reasonable English Club side. The last eight wickets fell for 26 runs and England were on their way to a well-deserved shower before

Taylor, the nonpareil, missed a catch and a stumping England travel to Suva for ont, a press box.

Until a public address system Botham has a bruised finger began broadcasting in the afternoon the English press had to rely on local radio broadcasts are fit.



Gatting: his 142 put Fiji in the shade

Lillee makes the most of his limited time

From Ian Brayshaw, Sydney

Dennis Lillee was Australia's appiration for the umpteenth time in his long and illustrious career on rain-hit opening day of the fifth and final Test match against akistan here yesterday. Relishing and seam howling, he claimed a two Pakistan wickets which fell the 90 minutes of play.

Lillee has not been given the new lillee has not been given the new lillee has not been given the new helicopter, which hovered a metre or so above the turf for some 40 illee has not been given the new

il as of right in this series ughes, the captain, has peiked rses for courses when appointing opening bowlers but after stralia had won the toss, there strain and won the toss, there has no doubting that Lillee should be pride of place this time. He was immediately effective, smoothly firing the ball into the wicket and gaining great movement off the seam, mainly away from the righthanders and towards the slips. It was one such ball which broke it was one such pair which prove the opening partnership. Mohsin was committed to play as the ball came down the off stump line, it took the outside edge and Border, at second slip, did the rest. But Border, who has been catching well in the slips this series, was parly to blame for a mix-up off Lillee's next delivery when Omar edged into the

gap between fast and second slips. Lillee cried out in anguish as Border and Chappell simply looked at each other as the ball flew at eatchable height down to the boundary for Omar and Mudassar dug in and

saw Lillee and Hogg out of the attack, but Lillee returned from the opposite end a few minutes before stumps to take Omar's wicket with a savage off-cutter. Oner played inside the line, the outside edge flew to Border's left and he made a fine diving catch. Pakistan again used Qudir as nightwatchman and he and Mudassar survived until stumps, fending of hostile bowling from Liller and Lawson.

or so above the turf for some 40 minutes, before the umpires declared it dry enough for play. Australia decided to recall the fast

Australia decided to rocall the fast bowler, Hogg, who had missed the fourth Test with a back injury, and dropped Maguire to twelfth man. Pakistan, one-down in the series, kept faith with the same 11. The decision by the Pakistan selectors to once again go into a five-day game with only three front-line bowlers was horn, out by their frustrated was born out by their frustrated efforts to have the spinner, Iqbal Qasim, flown out in time.

PAKISTAN: First Innings Mohsin Khan c Border b Liles.....

Total (2 wkts) -FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-57. BOWLING: D K Lines 9-8-20-2 R M Hogg 0-24 0. G S Chappell 3-0-7-0. G F Leusson 4-0-8-0. TO BAT: Javed Mianded, Zaheer Abbas, Imran Khan, Salim Melik, Serfrez Narwez, Washu Berl, Azeem Hatesz.

Chris Cowdrey has announced Chris Cowdrey has announced that he will sign a three-year contract with Kent, thus ending speculation that he would be leaving speculation that he would be leaving for another county. Last season, for another county. Last season, Nr. Parzen Hai, instanta, Minne The Mooder.

Cowdrey led the Kent batting MALVERN HURDLE (Div lt. novices: £1,550-2m) RACING: VERY PROMISING DOPE TESTED AFTER

Dickinson's army marches in unchecked



Straight Accord (left) leads Fredo over the water jump on his way

£167,000 prize money in the bag he still remains the highest Francome said afterwards that had won the Wallace Novices chase. equine earner under National Hunt rules. Clearly Dickinson believes that more successes are he was never going.

All in all this was something of a bitter-sweet afternoon for in the pipeleine because he was quick to say that we should not retire his old favourite yet when

his credit and more than

I broached the subject yesterday

Although Silver Buck was

tested. I certainly saw the horse

Tote: Double 1.5, 2.15. Treble 12.30, 1.40, 2.50

[Television (BBC1) 1.5, 1.40, 2.15 and 2.50 races)

Going: good to seft

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Cheltenham

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TOTE: Wir: 21.10. D Micholison at Stow-on-the-Wold. 251, 2 ran. 1.20 STEEL PLATE TRIAL HURDLE (4-y-o: £4.483. 2m)

E4,493: 2m)
SANTELLA KRIEG b c King Pelinore - Timing
(R Taisno) 11-7 - R Estraches (13-2) 1
Buratingour - S Smith (83-1) 2
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1.55) COURAGE CHASE (handicap: 24,109: 3m

SILVER BUCK by g Silver Cloud - Choice
Archiesse (Mrs C Festher) 12-11-2
R Earnstew (2-5 tav) 1
Scot Lane P Scudemore(6-1) 2
Tacrey. A Stringer(16-1) 3

TOTE: Wire \$1.40, Places: \$1.10, £1.90, DP. \$2.20, CSF: £3.42, M Dickfreon at Herewood, \$1.20 Corentino (11-2) 4th, 5 ran. \$2.30 INNOVATIVE CHASE (francisco: £4.542-2m 4f)

TOTE: Win: 210.20. Places: E3.30, £4.30. DF, E58.20. CSP: E72.03. W R Williams at Exeter, 6, 7, Beshibi Lad (4-1) 4th. Greenways (5-2) and 7 and

lavi. 7 ran. 3.5 MALVERN HURDLE (DIV 1 novices: 21,591; 2m)

the champion jockey who enjoyed a carefree winning ride on Glyde Court in the first division of the Malvern Novices Hurdle, but the exact reverse on his stable companion Hazy Sunset, the profoundly disappointing favourite for the second division. This was won easily by Glen Road to give Peter Scudamore his treble.

solitary opponent, First Glance, and the Innovative Handicap Steeplechase on Tom's Little Al. And so to today's programme at Cheltenham, when thethree

because main races have been sponsored a much by Food Brokers Ltd, whose chairman Desmond Cracknell is stow. such a devoted supporter of jumping. Jacko is my idea of the Windson Peter Scudamore his treble. possible winner of their Happy Earlier in the day Scudamore New Year Handicap Steeplemiles at

Steeplechase on Voice of Pro-gress every bit as easily as he should have done against his Guide

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Daring Run disappoints

Peter McCreery completed a double at Fairyhouse yesterday with Mountrath and Boland's Cross, but his success was overshadowed by the deplorable jumping of Daring Run, a most disappointing even-money favourite, in the G V Malcomson Memorial Chase, Our Irish Racing Correspondent writes. Irish Racing Correspondent writes.

Daring Run repeatedly met his fences wrong, and eventually trailed in a modest third, 13 lengths behind The Ellier.

Cheltenham

12.0 WOODMANCOTE HURDLE (Div & novices: £1,590: 2m -4f) (14

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94 BIG BROWN BEAR (G Barbow) G Barbow 7-11-0
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SALMAN (B CHART) F Winter 6-11-0

15-8 Emperor Charlee, 3 Baz Bomball, 11-2 Basts, Deep Prospect, 10 Salman, 14 Cresus, 20 others.

1.5 FOOD BROKERS ALMA CONFECTIONERY CHASE (novices:

1.40 FOOD BROKERS FERRERO ROCHER HURDLE. (24,471: 2m 4f) (7)

12.30 ERNEST ROBINSON HURDLE (handledp: £2,784: 3m) (8)

The outcome was a good result for the bookmakers as The Effier held at bay the only other seriously backed runner, Mister Donovan, by

The winner is trained by Arthur Moore, who two years ago won the Arkle Cup at Cheltenham with The Brockshee. That same event is the intended target for The Ellier, who still rates some way behind the best of the Irish novices, Bobsline and Ballingson I ad

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2.15 FOOD BROKERS HAPPY NEW YEAR CH ANOTHER CAPTAIN (A Scott Jun) A Scott 12-1

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GON MOCTE (Dr R Birmblecombe) N Handerson BRAVE JACK (Mrs W Syles) Mrs W Sylos 8-1

TAMATS LAD (W Moss) W Francis 10-10-6

IRI OHYX (F Yardley) F Yardley 11-10-0

PROSENY (C) (S Richards) Mrs C Richards F FARSER FRED (B) (R Blendford) M Scudam JER (G Wyse) P Bevan 13-10-0

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4 Jackn., 11-2 Peter Scot, 6 Koga Way, 15-2 Fy-Ko, 5 Anot Tania's Led, Brave Jack, 14 Eggnog, 15 others.

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(10-11) 2nd bestim 5i to Felidand Palace trec 7b) 5 nm. Huntingd
or acti Dec 25. Celeptone (11-10) 4th besten 25/3 to Frad Pillin
h'cap chase firm Nov 25. Vale chatterge (12-7) 2nd besten 25 to 5
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2 824-225 BETTEN MAY (BF) (G Johnson) N Henderson
5 PARSON DESTEN MAY (BF) (G Johnson) N Henderson
6 10 BETTEN MAY (BF) (G Johnson) N Henderson
7 CHARLES STREEM (B) (T Purmel) L Kernerd &
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9 COMPANY (BF) D Barons 8-11-0
9 CAMEBELL (Mel N Martin) N Mitchell 6-10-9
11-4 Wonder Wood, 7-2 Only For Love, Destiny Bay, 11-2 Farts
7 Cheltenharm selection Cheltenham selection

Real View.

First: Robin Wonder (11-13) 4th beaten St to Admirate Cup (rec 7th) with Galmany, frec Stb) not in first 9 of 11. Ascord 2m hote good to firm Dec 17. Chosa latest tell lettest when 4th behind Amarachter (11-0) 4th beaten 17th to Bushindanae (greve Bib) with Robin Wonder (18vel) 3rd beaten 12/14/7 zn. Newsbury 2m 100yd in the good to firm New 28. Galdapum (10-11) 3rd beaten 4th to beaten 38th to Machan Park (rec 28th) 8 rm. Westhardy 2m decisiopum (10-11) 3rd beaten 4th to beaten 38th to Machan Park (rec 28th) 8 rm. Westhardy 2m 4th from India and Dec 28. Real View (13-4) 4th beaten 12/14 to Western Surset (park 38th 18 rm. Lingdad 2m 4th from price pool Dec 10. Path Of Peace (11-4) 5th beaten 22/16 to Cims (level) 5 rm. Sendown 2m hole good to soft SELECTION: Cime. 12.0 Emperor Charles. 12.30 Mossmorran. 1.5 A 1 Peace, 2.15 Jacko, 2.50 Tourdealbhach. 3.25 Only Fo

Results from yesterday's

GLEN ROAD by g Furry Glen — Humble Prayer (Writis Bros (Tauntorn Ltd) 5-17-0 P. Scretimore (9-2) Arter's Design. J. O'Nali(15-5) 3
TOTE: Wire 27.40. Places: 21.30, 21.20, 21.50. DP 215.80. CSP: 255.85. J Thorse at Bridgester. 2, ind. Just Bluffing (68-1) 4th. rizzy Sursest (evens lav) 8 mm. NPL Bramblings, Ornsmond Street, Royal Wess, Salford Value. Total Double: 24.05. Treble: 2138.30. Jankopt: 2515.45 (15.17). Placapor: 245.00.

Windsor 1.0 BRAY HURDLE (Soling handcap: ES13 2m 30/d)
SHOWY BONDLAIR on g by Czariet - Gene Gully 5-10-5. H Zavies (5-1) 7
Top Gold M Hemmond (11-4 tay).
Severa Scand Miles S James (11-2) 3 TOTE Witz 25.50, Places: 21.50, 22.00, 21.70, DF: 217.90, CSF: 112.70, TF: 251.271, SM: 251.271, 1.30 ECCHINSWELL CHASE (Handiday: £1,288 2m 40yd)

TOTE: Win: 21.50. DF: 21.50. CSF: 22.54, 7 Orster at Wanarga. 251 301. 3 ran NR: Ma lartsbridge, Tej. 20 NEW YEAR'S DAY HURDLE (28,212 2m) SECRET BALLOT on g. by Reform —
Runknoiss 10-11-4 — E Walte (14-1) 1
Advisar's Cap — B de Haan(7-2) 2
Stress — M Christorian(13-1) 3
TOTE Wire £14.30. Places: £26.00, £1.70, QR
£15-40, CSF- £256.10. A Turnel at Memborough.
31.131. Way Promising 5-6 Fav. Sula Bule (4-1)
4h.6 ran. 2.30 WOODPERRY CHASE (Handcap: £1,806; STRAIGHT ACCORD, b.g. by No-Argument—
Tonours Siess, 9-12-0 — S Shistion (3-1) 1
Donaghmoyne — S Morthaud (20-1) 2
Letterbox — C Mann (11-1) 3

28.30. CSF: 242.17. F Waterym at Lambourn. 11. SI, Frado 5-2 fev. Below the Sait (100-30) 4th. 7 1.45 FORD CHAL ran, NP: Fells. S.O LANDLEY CHASE (Novices: £1,330: 2m TOTE: Wa: 29.60, DF: 23.40, Shrewsbury, 1 V ran, NR: Easter V TOTE: Wer: 26.30, Places: 21.80, 22.80, 53.70, DP: 982.50, CSP: 271.80, R. Champion at Swindon, 251, 121, Kyoto, Upper Note 100.30 g lave. Friday Street (16-1) 4th: 11 ran.NF: Gn Game, Come Rose, Hydrogen, Initiator. STOWELL GROV - Glead 7 11 6 Crowning Moment 3.30 TOUCHEN END HURDLE (Handicap: £1.371: 2m 6) TOTE: Wirz 86 £7.70, CSF: £22 the-Wold, Hd, 5L

EL371: 2m 69).
GLITTER STAR, ch g. by Sovereign Gleem – Lev Star, 8-11-5 — R Robrell (7-4 far) 1
Reject Marren (33-1) 2
G Marren (33-1) 3 TOTE Wire \$3.00. Places \$1.70, \$5.90, \$23.00, \$4.90; Dr. 251.80, \$3.90; \$4.90; Dr. 251.80, \$3.90; \$4.90; Dr. 251.80, \$3.90; \$4.90; Dr. 251.80, \$3.90; \$4.90; PLACEPOT not won. Leicester

12.45 BRIAN INGAMELLS SNOOMER CLUB TOTE: Win: £18.20, Places: £5.70, £2.40, £10.90, DF. £99.80, CSF. £93.90, L. Lighthrown Bazzar (50.1), £1. Centen 4-1 sw. Harbour Bazzar (50.1) 4th. 22 ran. NR: Center, Model Pupi, Plant. J. Very Promising 5-6 FeV. Sum mass (**)

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2.45 GLEBE HUF

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PLACEPOT: \$35.00 ● Len Lightbr winner over J Man, a 16-1 cha neck in the Brit

Secret **Ballot** back in style

By Michael Seely

Secret Ballot ruthlessly exposed the limitations of the pretenders to Gaye Brief's champion's crown in Windson's New Year's Day Hurdle yesterday. Ridden by Ted Walte, Jim Joel's 10-year-old went clear at the last flight to beat Admiral's Cupby three lengths with Jamus one and a half lengths with Jamus one and is appointingly and finished a well beaten fifth.

Tim Easterby tried to make all the running on Sula Bula. But last year's winner tired beween the last year's winner tired beween the last two flights to finish fourth. "Sula Bula is obviously not quite right yet," his jockey said afterwards. "But he certainly ran a lot better than at Ascot." Secret Ballot ruthlessly expose

than at Ascot."

Secret Ballot has not been seen in public since winning a flat race at Brighton in May, "He always runs best when fresh," Andy Turnell, the winning trainer, said. "Secret Ballot has an enlarged heart and he needs at least six weeks' rest between his races.

"After I won the Scottish Champion Hurdle on him in 1980, he looked a certainty for the Royal Doulton Hurdle at Haydock. But the race came too soon and he tired after looking all over the winner at the last."

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Because of his heart condition, and also due to his dislike of saft going, Secret ballot has won only seven races during his lengthy career. The 1981 Royal Doulton Hurdle, has been his most valuable triumph. "To dearly love to have a go at the Schweppes," his trainer went on. "But the trouble is that the handicapper might now be a little unkind."

Latch, who was right there with a chance of beating Aces Wild a Ascot when he slipped badly on nnkind."

The stewards held an inquiry into the running of Very Promising. Jim McConnochie, Mercy Rimell's assistant trainer, said that the horse had been working well at home and that he could not account for this poor run. Sam Morshead said that Very Promising had been going well util after jumping the third flight from home when the gelding gusped. Thereafter he had nothing left and almost pulled himself up.

Morshead also said he had ridden Very Promising in all his races and that nothing life this had happened before. The stewards accepted these explanations and ordered the gelding to be routine dope tested.

At Ayr, this afternoon the best bet ence points to A Kinsman The conditions of the Ferrero

leg trouble, and will both be off the course for a year." Mellor has a good record in the Triumph, which he is hopeful of winning again this year with the current favourite, Dodgy Future.

At Ayr, this afternoon the best bet should be Mullacurry in the MacAlpine Challenge Cap. Jimmy Fitzgerrald's recent Irisk Import would have beaten W Six Impes in the Hayry Rrawn Challenge Cap. at

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The Ordinary Princess (r). 4.40 Playhouse: Rolf the Stonemason, by Christopher Russell. 5.05 John Craven's Newsround. 5.10 Grange HIL. Part one of a new series. 5.40 Sixty Minutes includes national news from Moira Stuart at 5.40; regional news magazines at 5.53; weather at

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8.58; sport at 8.35; Alarm Call
at 6.40 and 8.46; exercises at
6.50 and 8.55; John Stapleton
with a quest in the Sportfisht as

with a guest in the Spotlight at 7.20; cartoon at 7.25; guest of the day at 7.40; holiday advice at 8.20; Gyles Brancheth's video month of 2.5

video report at \$.35.
9.00 Roland's Winter Wonderland

Rascals" stage the Folies in 1936, With Jackle Cooper. 12.00 Portland BEL Puppet adventures of a lighthouse keeper, 12.10 Rainbow, Learning with puppers (r) 12.30 The Sullivana.

1.00 News with Leonard Parkin. 1.20 Thames news from Robin Houston, 1.30 A Plus follows the fun as the St Hilda's Entertainers of Ashford Middlesex, prepare for their 21st anniversary production of Sleeping Beauty.

2.00 Crown Court: Gingerbread Girl. A foster mother is accused of causing the death of her child. Was it murder or manslaughter? The first of a new series, 2.30 Film; Abbot and Costello Meet Frankenstein* (1948) Spoof florror as Dracula strives in the United States to transplat a new brain into his monater's ed. And whose brain do you think the Count is after? Directed by Charles Barton.

4.00 Portland Bill. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.15 Battink. Animated adventures of a flying mouse. 4.20 On Safari with Christopher Biggins, Don Estell and Windsor Davies.

4.46 CBTV. News, views and ideas for young people. 5.15 Diffrent Strokes. American comedy series about a

5.45 News. 6.00 Thames news, 6.20 Crossroads, Kath Brownlow discovers that Kevin Banks can be an over-protective

6.45 Film: Bronco Billy (1980) starring Clint Eastwood and Sondra Lock, Eastwood plays the title role, a man who runs a Wild West Show. His rapid turn-over of knife throwing -assistants comes to a halt when he engages an apparently abendoned young lady, Directed by Clint

8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight. His guests are American comedian, Jay Lenc, singer tris Williams and Michael Parkinson, Mary's husband.

10.30 First Tuesday Introduced by Jonathan Dimbleby and Jane. Watmsley. Two films – the first about a holiday for the mentallyhandicapped in mentallyhandicapped in Teigrinouth, a town that has tried to dissuade them from using the resort, the second a gruesome Australien-made offering about the slaughter of kangaroos (see Choice). 11.30 The Deviln Connexion, The father/son detective team

become involved in a case of industrial esplonage. 12.25 Night Thoughts from the Rev Pater Lewis. Ben Cross and Amy Irving in The Far Pavilions (Channel 4

9.00pm)

BBC 2

2.25 Film: Far From the Madding Crowd (1967) starring Julie Christie, Terence Stamp, Peter Firch and Alan Bates, Frederic

Raphael's adaptation of

Thomas Harriv's masterpieca

set among the rolling hills of .

Dorset (superbly filmed by Nicolas Roeg). Bathsheba rejects a proposal of marriage

inherits her uncle's term she decides to marry Sergeant Troy - a decision that leads to

from neighbouring farmer, Gabriel Oak, but when she

unhappiness. Directed by John Schlesinger.

5.40 George Orwell, Part four: The Lion and the Unicorn. It is now

1940 and Orwell's earlier

he began his less than

6.40 Film: Destry Rides Again*

hatred of waging war with

Germany gives way to fervant patriotism. It is also the time

producer and later a journalist

on Tribune. This penuitimate

episode ends with the publication of his Animal Farm

Among the contributors to this episode are Malcolm Muggeridge, Lettice Cooper and Anthony Powell.

(1939) starring Mariene Dietrich and James Stewart. A

classic comedy western with Stewart playing Sheriff Destry, a shy man, elected to tame the

a shy man, elected to tame the wild west town of Bottle Neck,

only to find that he has most trouble from Frenchy, the

Directed by George Marshalt.

month's adition. The first, The Klagenfurt Affair, investigates

the story behind the 1945

decision to hand over 26,000

anti-communist Yugoslavs to the pro-communist Tito who

promptly had them killed. Part mines the theory put

forward by a zoologist that the Black Death was not caused

first of a new series of anarchic comic sketches, (see

who won a medal in the 1924 Olympics – immortalised in the

give up athletics to serve God as a missionary in China. With contributions from his widow

and his sister, fellow missionaries and athletes.

second round matches in the Embassy World Professional

Showclub, Stoke-on-Trent are

Sid Waddelf and Tony Green.

of the day's play introduced by Tony Gubba. Ends at 12.15. 11.55 Closedown.

10.10 World Darts. Tony Gubba introduces highlights of the

Championship, Tha

11.40 World Darts. More highlights

10.55 Newsnight.

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commentators at Jollees

by bubonic plague but by something far worse.

9.00 A Kick Up the Eighties. The

8.25 Eric Liddell - Plying Scotaman, Sally Magnusson presents a sympathetic portrait of the Scots athlete

singer at the local saloon.

8.10 Timewatch presented by John

Tusa. Two stories in this

5.35' News with subtitles

complaining about the decision to show A SUMMER HOLIDAY (ITV show A SUMMER HOLLING.
10.30pm), one of the two
documentaries in tonight's edition
of First Tuesday. "It will deter
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holidaymakers troin booking." holidaymakers from booking hotels in the town was their bleat. And so it should. This small group of self-righteous, small minded, individuals made it known in 1982 that they would prefer it if mentally handicapped people would not take their holidays in the south Devon resort as it might discourage the average holidaymaker. Undeterred by this outrageous hypothesis a group of a dozen young mentallytranscription of the care of four trained supervisors, made the

CHANNEL 4

3.20 Film: Battling Butler* (1925) starring Buster Keaton and Sally O'Nells. Keaton plays

4.45 Madam: Checkmate, The

5.15 Years Ahead. A magazine

programme for the older

Dougail. 6.00 Bewitched. American comedy

series about a husband, his

employment, private and public services, community and welfare services and the

programme, images of Flural Britain, looks at the nightmare

of change faced by those who are sometimes portrayed as

fiving in a rural paradise. Why does television and adventising portray the countryside as thatched cottages, hedgerows and no sense of urgency?

7.00 Channel Four News includes a

ites telephone company, AT

report from Andrew Mandestan on the reasons for the break-up of the United

7.50 Comment. With a personal view of a topical subject is

Luke Rittner, secretary-

8.00 Brookside. Karen and Mike's

feeling angry and upset.

8.30 Take Six Cooks. The first of a

new series in which six experts prepare a course of a meal. Beginning with the hors d'oeuvres is Prue Leith.

9.00 The Far Pavisions. Part one of the three-episode adaptation of M. M. Kaye's novel to be

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his English schooling and his native India. Any trying plays

Princess Anjuli, forced to many the evil Rans of Bhithor

(Rossano Brazzi) in order to protect her sister. Directed by

his childhood sweeting

11.00 Regges Sunsplash. Recorded highlights of a concert held in tilontago Bay, Jamaica, in 1982.

Ben Cross as Ashton Pelham-

Martyn, en Anglo-Indian officer

general of the Arts Council.

relationship takes a turn for the worse while a visit from the

and T.

local power structure. This

witch wife and sorceress

6.30 Country Crisis? The first of a new eight-part series that looks at some of the problems faced by those living in the

second of five program

following the build-up and

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lewer, presented by Robert

Alfred Burler, a shy millionaire, who poses as a prize fighter in

order to win the hand of the

fair Sally. Directed by Buster

Last week this newspaper carried a report about a group of

Teignmouth councillors coach journey from Leybol Hospital in Kent to Teigram a week's holiday, accompa the cameras. The result is:

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 The squeamish should by warned about the second file First Tuesday, GOODBYE J.K. Australian-made, it has yet to seen on Australian television. n Australian television se of its controversial content. Disgusting film of kangaroo killing, with the hur

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6.00 News Briefing.
6.19 Farming Today: 6.25 Shipp
6.30 Today, including 6.20, 7.30 News Summary. 6.45 Prays the Day. 6.55, 7.65 Weather 7.90, 6.90 Today's News. 7. Your Letters. 7.46 Thought the Day. 8.25 Yesterday in Parliament.
6.43 1086 And All That by W. C. Sand R. J. Yestman (2). Read Arthur Marshall and Barry Justice. 8.57 Weather; Trave News.

Programme News.

1.00 The World at One: News.

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2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Temptir and nutritious meals are discussed by Caroline Walker, who is a Nutritionist the cooker.

4.19 The Exmouth Term. 70 years on, a group of men recall their time as cadets at Osborne Naval College in 1913.

BBC 1 Water: 12.47-12.50 News of Water headlines. 3.53-3.56 News of Water headlines. 5.53 Water today. 12.05 am News and Weather. Scotland: 10.55 am-12.00 The United Shoalaces Show. 12.45-12.50 The Scotland: News. 5.83 Scotland: Shotly Mixtuss. \$.25-8.50 Holiday Sportscene: Footbail: Highlights of a Premier League game played this afternoon. 9.50-11.45 Film: "Midnight Cowboy" (as BBC 1 9.25 pm). 11.45-12.35 am Men v Women. An Interpretational Golf Challenge (as BBC 1 11.16 pm). 12.35 News and Weather. Northern tretand News. 3.53-3.55 Northern Ireland News. 6.53 Scene Around Six. 12.05 am News and Weather. England: 5.53 pm Regional News. England: 5.53 pm Regional News.

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Read by Ian Stewart.
18.45 Daily Service.
11.00 News; Travel: Thirty-Minute
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Sarbara Champion, Lydia
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ledy who always plans winter
trips that never happen (r).
11.33 Wildlife.
12.06 News; You and Yours.
12.27 My Word! 112.55 Weather;
Programme News.

discussed by Caroline Walker, who is a nutritionist; the cooker writer Gall Duff, and Woman's Hour listener Pat Bradahew.

3.00 Afternoon Theatre: The View from the Hill, by Margaret. Staward, John Philips plays the poet who cannot join in the general rejoicing on his 70th birthday because he feels that the muse has absordoned him. His wife is played by veteran actress Marjorie Westbury.

4.00 News; Just After Four. Claire Franklei on how Jewish immigrants affected cooking in the United States.

4.13 The Exmouth Term, 70 years on.

News Madazines, 12.10 am Close.

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XVI 26) played by John McCabe, and the Salve Regins in 6 minor with Arleen Auger, Alfreda Hodgson, Anthony Folfe-Johnson and Gwymne Howell.† Stratus: Peter Résel and the Dresden State Orch play the Parergon the Sinfonia Domestica for plano (left hand) and orch; plus the Symphonic Poem Macbeth.† Mendelssohn and Meyerbeer Psalm Settings: the BBC Singers in performance of Mendelssohn's Three Psalms. 10.45

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11.20 Clarinet and Plano: recital by Janet Histon and Peter Frankl. BBC Weish Symphony Orchestra: concert. Part one. With Jane Merming (soprano). Bex's symphonic poem Tintgel, Warlock's Serenade for String Roch; and Delius's Seven Songs 1.00 News.

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1.50 Guitar Encores: Jorge Morai plays some of his own works, as well as works by Nector Ayala, Bustamente (Misionera) and Pablo Excobar.
2.00 North of the Border: Mendelssohn's overture Fingal's

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Cave: Bruch's Scottish Fantasy,
Op 46 (with Kyung-Wha Chung-soloist), Brahm's Four Songs,
Op 17; and Mendelssohn's
Symphony No 3 (Scottish),
Interval reading at 3, 10.
Dubussy and Chopin: Malcolm
Birns (piano) plays Debussy's
Sks Studies, Book 2; two Chopin
nocturies, and his Bercarolle in
Fisharp.
News. 3.55

4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: another of Brian Kay's Selections.1
6.30 Music of Affonso the Wise (1221-84). A parformance by the New London Consort, with solo singers and instrumentalists, of the Porque Trobur: Pois que dos Reys and Peticon. The narration is by Edward de Souza.1

7.00 Dohnanyi: A performance of the Sonata in B flat major, by Maria Kijegel (plano) and Ludgar Maxsein (plano).† 7.30 Three Choirs Festival, 1983: Part one, Howard Ferguson's Amore Langueo, With Alfreda Hodgson ontraito), Kenneth Bowen anor), Three Choirs Festival

Chorus, and the Cy of Birmingham SO.† 8.00 Too Clever by Haif: Eric Griffiths, a Fellow of Trinity College. Cambridge, gives a talk on England's long tradition of distrusting intelligence.

8.20 Three Choirs Festival 1983; part two. Elgar's The Music Makers.† 9.05 Martin Luther: Last Catholic, First Comrade: Robert Kernohan, editor of Life and North evaluates Luther's significance for students of the man and his writings, for the worldwide Lutheran Church, and for Luther's homeland – a dipleted Germanu. rided Germany. 9.50 Schubert: Homero Francesch plays the Sonata in A major, D 959.†

10.35 Nativity: Jean Trend reads John Rizkella's short story.

11.00 The Complete Webern; the Two Songs, Op 19 for changs and small ensemble; the Schetzo and Trio for string quariet; and the Four Songs, Op 13, for 11.15 News. Until 11.18.

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Macmillan and Alexander flink in Tito's killings'

Macmillan, the former Prime Minister, and the late Field Marshal Lord Alexander in the forcible repairiation of 26,000 Yugoslavs in May, 1945, many of whom were tortured and killed by Tito's partisans, will be shown on BBC television

In its documentary The Kingenfurt Affair. BBC 2's Timewatch programme claims refugees were handed over. that Lord Alexander, then Allied Supreme Commander in the Mediterranean, with the concurrence of Mr Macmillan, at that time British Prime Minister Resident at Caserta, near Naples, overrode instruc-tions from Whitehall and Washington that the Yugoslavs should be screened and only genuine Mazi collaborators handed over to Tito. Timeratch says its reasearches show: • That the massacre of the Yugoslavs did take place, including those of the wives and children of Chetniks, the noncommunist Yugoslav resistance

was ordered by Lord Alexander and his poitical adviser, Mr

That British officers loading them on to trains in southern Austria lied to the Yugoslavs about their destinations; that some officers requested to be relieved of the duty after a handful of Yugoslavs escaped back into Austria and reported

September, 1945, which de-scribe the repairiation as "a shasily mistake". In Vovember, Brigadier Toby Low, was chief-

'We can do no more." it the story does not reflect well on back) was widened on May 17 the officers immediately con- to: "All Yugoslav nationals at

that the repatriation took place soon as possible ... in the weeks after the German

Documents shedding new Macmillan noted in his diary light on the role of Mr Harold after a fact-finding visit to Macmillan, the former Prime Klagenfurt in Carinthia on May Minister, and the late Field 13, "seemed to be drifting dangerously towards something

like war."

The programme suggests, after interviewing British officers concerned (though the records are imprecise), that a deal may have been struck with Tito, that the partisans would withdraw from Carinthia if the

What is clear, the programme states, is that on May 14, within hours of Mr Macmillan's return to Caserta from Klagenfurt, the order for the repatriation was issued.

On April 29, however, Mr Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, had written that There is no doubt they [the Yugoslavs] should be disarmed and placed in refugee camps. This is the only possible solution"

On May 3, the British 8th Army had received the instruc-tion: "Chetniks, troops of Mihailovic la Yugoslav royalist army, leader later executed by Titol and other dissident Yugoslavs. will be regarded as surrendered personnel and will be treated accordingly. The ultimate dis-posal of these personnel will be decided on government levels". Timenatch, in its attempt to

explain the repatriation in defiance of orders from Whitehall, has discovered a document in the Fereign Relations of the United States series which shows that Mr Macmillan's the shootings.

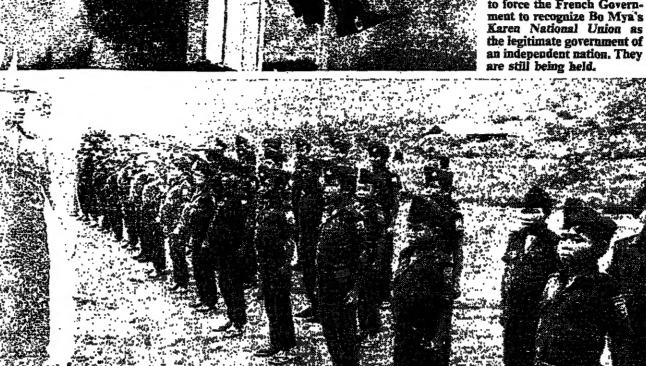
The programme quotes Caseria, Mr Alexander Kirk, Foreign Office documents from refused to support the May 14

1945. Major Guy Lloyd, MP. of-staff of the 8th Army 5 asked the Foreign Office for an Corps, which carried out the explanation. A reply was repairmation, is interviewed in drafted (though it was not sent) the programme. He is asked to by Mr (now Sir) John Colville. explain why the order of May 14 tinstructing that all Yugoslav read, "than admit that a serious nationals who had served in the blunder did take place and that German Army were to be sent orned."

Timewatch makes it clear handed over to Tito forces as

Lord Aldington replies: "I do surrender with southern Austria not think there was any in chaos as Tito's partisans widening, just, 2s you say, a (who claimed the province of hurried and loose use of Carinthia, where the refugees language. It was not meant to go were encamped, as Yugoslav further than all Yugoslav territory) jostled with the nationals in uniform who had British 8th Army forsupremacy, been fighting with the Ger"The position," as Mr mans".





Boy troops of Burma's forgotten

For more than 30 years the world's least-known guereen struggling for indepenwon its freedom from British colonial rule.

The Karen prowess as warriors has enabled them withstand continuing pressure from the vastly superior Burmese forces, maintaining their rule over a 600-mile slice of Burmese border territory and financing their revolution by levying duties at the lucrative border checkpoints,

The long war of attrition has taken its toll, however, and the Karen leader, General Bo Mya, has been forced to call up boys as young as 12, like Pussycat (left) and the youngsters on parade below, to arm and train them for guard duty and even to fight real battles.

In November, the war took a new turn when the Karen kidnapped M Jacques Bossu, a French technician and his wife and are holding them hostage to try to force the French Govern-ment to recognize Bo Mya's

revolution

rilla war has been raging on the frontier between Burma and Thailand. There the Karen Christian minority group of 1.500,000 have dence since Buddhist Burma

> of a galleon. The memorial floats there

slowly oncoming - traffic. Iron girders rust in heaps

But work did not start until 1978 and the completion target now is officially 1987. Even that may be optimistic and in the meantime the citizens are having to put up with the dust, the traffic jams and the unsightliness of the workings as the contractors proceed with their usual total

In one particularly busy part of Calcutta, building was plainly going to cause severe congestion, so arrangements were made to speed the work. Instead of being built by Indian engineers, an exception was made, to allow worldwide

the preliminary digging done. but since early last year, when tenders were received, the authorities have been unable to decide whom to give the work to. There have, accordingly, been intensely aggravating traffic jams in the area.

project, some contractors were dismissed because of another typically Indian hazard in

Letter from Calcutta

Hazards of building a tube Indian style

Chowringhee Road - no one except American tourists calls it Jawaharlal Nehru Road, the name on the map used to be one of the grander thoroughfares of the Empire. The pillars and pilasters of the Grand Hotel and the domes of the life assurance offices looked out over the pleasant green of the Calcutta maidan.

Trees and sports grounds abounded there and in the distance the pleasant cupolas and kiosks of the Victorian memorial floated like the sails

still, looming occasionally through the smog and much of the maidan is still there, but from Chowringhee Road you would not know it: the street is separated from the greensward by acres of excavations, the carriageway is narrowed to half its former width by piles of mud solidified into mounainous shapes and Himalayas of stone chippings spill into the paths of oncoming -

with piles of concrete reinforcing bars, a trap for the unwary pedestrian, an ugly cicatrix across what should be the nearest the city has to a beauty

Calcutta is constructing an underground railway. The city decided in 1973 to build it, hoping it would be opened in

disregard of the public.

The roads were closed and

In the early stages of the

ruption. Even now there is a dispute between the communist-led Government of West Bengal and the central Government's Railway Minister over who should be biamed for the delays.

Mr A. B. A. Ghani Khan Choudhury, the Railway Minister, himself a Bengali, last week was trying to gain as much favourable publicity as he could out of the project by inviting Mr Rajiv Gandhi, son of the Prime Minister, to go in a tube train over a completed section of the track.

The short stretch of line had been cleaned up for the occasion, much to the anger of Calcuttans, who want the whole thing cleaned up. Last month, though, a

pressure group, the Consumer Protection Centre, won a big battle in this respect. They took the tube builders to court to get a ban on the dumping of construction material on the highway. The judge called for a special report, by court officers, on the building of the underground, which turned out to be an indictment of the contractors' inefficiency and lack of consideration.

The officers found the consumer centre's allegations to be correct and made suggestions which in themselves are condemnation of the underground authority.

The judge has ordered that the clean-up be done. What waiting to see is how the order will be enforced. There are also reservations

about how the underground will operate when it is finally completed. The line, a single tunnel 10 miles long from Dum-Dum, close to the airport, to Tollygunge in the south, will have 17 stations and is being built by the cut-and-cover system. Some peo-ple fear it will fill with water in The authorities insist that it

will not.

Even so, say the cynics, how will you stop the impover-ished citizens of Calcutta. whose normal abode is the pavements, from taking advantage of the nice, dry tunnels to build their homes in? And will it not involve a massacre of squatters each time the electricity is switched on in the morning and the trains begin to run?

Michael Hamlyn

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

National top ton television programmes in the week ending December 18:

18.05m Coronation Street (Wed). (Granada

15.95m
Centon And Ball, (LWT), 14.35m
Name That Tune, (Themes), 14.00m
3-2-1, (Yorkshire), 13.65m
Is Loving Memory, (Yorkshire), 13.85m
This is Your Life, (Themes), 13.75m
Up The Bephant And Round The Castle,
(Thames), 13.65m
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Crossroads (Mad), (Central), 12.45m

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The Two Ronnies, 13,25m Top Cf The Pops, 11,25m Top Cf The Pops, 11,35m Only Foots And Horses, 11,15m Bergare, 11,00m Dakas, 10,95m Widdlie On One, 9,90m Hing O'Clock News (Tues), 9,50m Terry And June, 9,10m Terry And June, 9,10m Tomorrow's World, 8,95m always And Sport (Serl, 8,95m

BBC 2

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The Bob Monkhouse Show, 5.95m
Grange Hill (Mon), 3.50m
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Entertainment USA, 3.55m
Tarzan Finds A Son, 3.45m
Grange Hill (Mod), 3.25m
=The Law And Jake Wade, 3.25m
MAS.H., 3.10m
Heartaftack Hotel, 2.80m
=Pranks, 2.80m

Channel 4
Sons And Lovers, 3.15m
A Flame To The Phoenix, 3.15m
The Paul Hogan Show, 2.70m
Brookside (Wed), 2.60m
Brookside (Tues), 2.10m
Tell The Truth, 1.90m
The World At War, 1.70m
Nosferatu The Vampire, 1.40m
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Breakfast television: The average weekly figures for audences at pack tries (with figures in parenthesis showing the reach - the number of people who viewed for at least eight

narutes): BBC1: Breaklast Time: Mon to Fn 1.5m (5.4m). TV-ant: Good Marning Britain: Mon to Fn 1.2m (4.7): Sat 1.3m, Sun 0.9m (Sat or Sun 3.4). Broadcasters' Audience Research Board.

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Today's events

Exhibitions in progress David Donaldson retrospective; City Art Centre, 2 Market Street, Ediabargh; Mon to Sat 10 to 5,

closed Sun (until Jan 28). Portal Painter: "Scottish Con-nexions"; Gallery 9, Aberdeen Art Galleries, School Hill, Aberdeen Mon to Sat 10 to 5. Thurs 10 to 8,

Sun 2 to 5 (until Jan 7).

Three photographers; Stephen Farthing, Douglas Malpas and Jan Stott; Museum and Art Gallery, Le Mans Crescent, Bolton; Mon to Fri

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5 Muscled in, Swede being out of

9 With State backing, concealed

10 Place for which a mere bird of

Support team at the bottom (8).

24 On balance, board will allow

26 There's a bird in the hedge (9).

27 River Leo diverted in Dorset

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29 The German left the lake dry (7).

1 However fast, regardless! (2,3,4).

2 Urges former pariner to give

3 Bandaged again by Dr S. said to

be a bit of a broken reed (9).

9.30 to 5.30, Sat 10 to 5, closed Leicestershire Museum and Art TV top ten Weds and Sun (until Jan 28). Paintings by Peter Sutton: City Museum and Art Gallery, Priest-gate, Peterborough; Tues to Sat 12 to 5, closed Sun and Mon (until Jan

Flowers of Britain and Europe: colour prints and slides by Desmond and Marjorie Parish; also Modern Artist Craftsmen; an exhibition by four craftsmen; both at the National Museum of Wales, Cathays Park, Cardiff; Mon to Sai 10 to 5. Sun 2:30 to 5 (until Jan 31). Last chance to see

Victorian Paintings Workshop;

5 Year of general dissolution cording to Moses (10).

6 As usual, she hasn't a pound! (5).

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11 Get out and about returning 16 The key is to tone down the

12 Naturally there's a pub in 17 In the new order women tend to fenland city (8).

14 This is a bridge to which society 19 On the first of December the 14 This is a bridge to which society attached value (5).
15 Inferior sort of world standard ...(5-4).

... means endless politics (9).

These days, there's no logic initially in bringing back Dallas

55.

Tom Jones's girl has another spell in Bulgaria (5).

8 This bird is an easy catch (5).

13 Kind of centre where offenders,

25 She would shortly part with the

Solution of Puzzle No 16:324

outbuilding (4).

Primitive Australian missile-

not yet in their teens, perhaps

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,325

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to 5.30 (ends today). Closing in London The livew lineas, and recent work;

screen printed photographs by Paul Yule: For at Geographic Society, 1 Kensington Gore, SW7; 10 to 5 (ends today).

Work by members of the London Group: Morley Gallery, 61 West-minster Bridge Read, SE1; 10 to 6 fends today. (ends roda;).

Continuing in London National Exhibition of Children's

Art. Exhibition winners of 1975-1983. Guildhall Art Gallery. EC2, Mon to Sat 10 to 5 (until Jan 7). i. Leonardo, pen and wash drawings by Raiph Steadman on Leonardo da Vinci; Royal Festival Hall South Bank, SEI (Upper Foyer), 10.30am to 10.30pm every day except bank holidays (until Jan

Drawing towards sculpture by Edward Allinton, Institute of Contemporary Arts, The Mail, SWI: Tues to Sun-12 to 9, closed Mon (until Jan 15).

The papers

The Royal Family never seems to understand the deep offence it gives to millions of people by its passion for this or killing animals for sport", the Daily Mirror tays. "Prince Philip refuses to recognize the contradiction in his being president of the World Wild Life Fund and an enthurism enthusiastic executioner of game birds and deer."

The paper adds "No one doubts the wild his population needs to be controlled. But when Prince Philip and his case." controlled. But when Prince Philip and his sons (and his son-in-law) go out shooting they are not acting as conservation officers. They do it because they enjoy the killing. Shooting at Sandringham and Balmoral has always been part of the Royal Family's holidays and it is supportitical of Prince Philip to pretend otherwise."

This is setting ridiculous.

This is getting ridiculous", complaint the Deily Express. "First from lain: the Daily Express. "First Mrs Thatchers Government, appearing mean-spirited and petty, excludes Social Democrat leader, Dr David Owen, from last year's annual wreath-laying ceremony at the cenoteph. Now, tohead off a similar controversy this year, it is thinking of barring Liberal leader, Mr David Steel."

The many concludes: "just one

The paper concludes: "just one MP should be at the Cenotaph, laving a wreath on behalf of all our panies: the Speaker of the Commons. Hat Labour leader Neil Kinnock learned nothing form the disaster that befull his predecessor Michal Footer asks The San, in the light of Mr Kinnock's support for party policy that would scrap British nuclear viscouster.

nuclear weapons.

The Paper says there is "clear evidence that the overwhelming majority of the British people are simply not prepared to surrender our nuclear defences. Unless Kannoch and Co accept this fact of life they might as well prepare for another 10 years in the wilderness.

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Roads

Loadon and South-east: A40: New layout at Western Avenue Horsenden Lane and Medway Parade; long delays.

Midlands: A6c Roadworks at Topley Pike, Derbyshire; temporary signals. A53: Temporary signals at St John's Road, Buxton, Derbyshire. A61: Temporary signals at Whittington Moor, Chesterfield, Derbyshire.

Wales, and West: M4: Lane closures for bridge inspection and repairs between junction 21 and junction 22 across the Severn Bridge, both carriageways affected, A470: Lane closures at Glyntaff, near Pontypridd, Mid-Glamorgan; temporary traffic signals at Celn Cocd. A417 (old A40): Delays and diversions along St Oswald's,

North: A19/A1046: Reconstruc tion works at Portrack roundabout, north of River Tees. A575: Major sewer scheme at Egerton Street, Farnworth, Greater Manchester; diversions. Liverpool: Queensway Tunnel closed nightly; all traffic is being diverted via the Liverpool to Wallasey tunnel between 9.15pm and 5.45em. and 5.45am.
Scotland: A956: Construction of a

roundabout on Wellington Road at South Esplanade West, Aberdeen: care required. A7: Reconstruction work south of Selkirk, Selkirkshire; single lane traffic with temporary traffic lights. A94: Resurfacing near Glamis; single lane traffic with temporary lights.

information supplied by the AA Air

Thick fog has closed Lisbon airport to all incoming flights since the new year and no flights have left since year and no nights have left since Sunday evening. More than 50 Lisbon-bound international and domestic flights have been cancelled or diverted to Oporto in the north, Faro in the south and Barcelona in Seein.

Road, ran and terry mass with sec Portuguese capital have also been hampered by fog.

Travellers to Portugal are advised to-consult their travel agents, or airlines before setting off.

Births: Pietro Metastasio, poe

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Anniversaries

and librettist, Rome, 1698; Clement Attlee, 1st Earl, prime minister 1945-51, London, 1883; James 1743-31, London, 1883; James Bridie (Osborne Henry Mayor), playwright, Glasgow, 1888; J. R. R. Tolkien, author of *The Lord of the* Rings, Bloemfontein, South Africa, 1892.

Naples, 1705; Josiah Wedgwood. Etruria Hall. Staffordshire, 1795; Rachel (Elisa Felix), actress, near Cannes, 1858; Pierre Larousse, Rachel (Elisa Pelixi, actress, near Cannes, 1858; Pierre Larousse, lexicographer and encyclopaedist, Paris, 1875; William Harrison Ainsworth, historical novelist, Reigate, 1882; James Elroy Flecker,

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6 am to midnight

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N Wales, NW England, Lake District, late of Men, SW Scottand, Glasgow, Northern Ireland: Preguest Stowers, writing at lines, becoming scattered by evening, surray or dear intervals, by roads; winds NW societats to thesis locally, perhaps strong; max temp 5 to feest locally, perhaps strong; max temp 5 to

AC (37 to 39F).

Aberdeen, central Highlands, Moray Pirts, NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Orloney, Shetland: Snow showers, merging two longer outbreaks of snow, some beavy drilling on high ground, joy roads, winds NW strong to severe gate in places, moderating slowly: max temp 1 to 2C (34 to 38F).

34 to 36F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Thursday:
Changeable with buther outbreaks of rain or
anow; becoming warmer for a time on
Thursday. Thursday.

SEA PASSAGES: 8 North Sea; Straits of Dover; English Channel (E): Whol W, severe gale, locally storm; sea very rough, St George's Channel, Irish Sea; Severe gale or

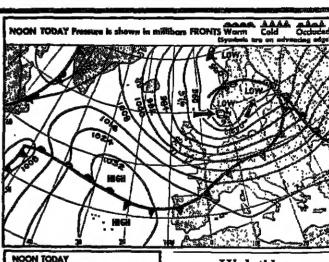
Sun rises: 8.06 am Sun sets: 4.04 pm 4.04 pm New Moon: 5.16 am

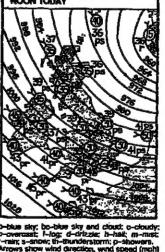
Lighting-up time London 4.34 pm to 7.35 am Bristol 4.44 pm to 7.45 am Edioburgh 4.21 pm to 6.13 am Manchester 4.32 pm to 7.55 am Pentance 5.2 pm to 7.51 am

Yesterday

Highest and lowest esterday: Highest day temp: lifrecombe, 12C HF): towest day mac Lenetck, 4C (39F): uphost raintals Eckdalemair, 1.21m; highest unshine: Folkestone, 0.9m;

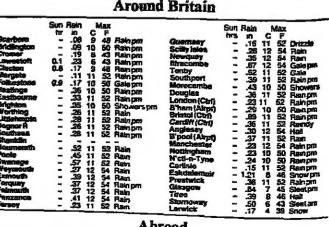
London Yesterday Tempr mex 6 am to 6pm, 11C (52F); min 6 pm to 8 am, 8C (43F). Humiday: 6 pm, 86 per cent, Rain: 24 hr to 6 pm, 0.23 ms Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, ni, Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 998.4 ms/bars, talking 1 000 ms/bars = 28 62 hr.





High tides TODAY

Around Britain



Abroad MEDDAY: c, cloud; or drittle: f, fair; fg, fog; r, rein; s, sun; sn. snow, * denotes Suriday's figures

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